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MANAGING DIRECTOR.
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Bombay, 30th August, 1916.

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COTTON.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

New York, Dec. 19th.

Day's Exports to Great Britain	20,000
" " to Continent	24,000
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	9¾
Demand Bills	4.76.35
Silver Commercial Bars	75¾

New York, Dec. 28th.

	Bales.
Week's Receipts of Cotton at U.S. Ports	146,000
" Exports to Great Britain	60,000
" " to France and Continent	53,000
" to Japan	8,000
Stock of Cotton at U.S. Ports	1,562,000
" at Interior Ports	1,351,000

New York, Dec. 30th.

Day's Receipts at all U.S. Ports	21,000
Day's Exports to Great Britain	43,000
to Continent	
Futures at New York March	17.24
" May	17.07
Spot Cotton at New York	17.25
" New Orleans	17 25
Futures at New Orleans March	16.81
" May	17.07
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	9¾
Demand Bills	4.75.35
Silver Commercial Bars	75¾

MONEY MARKET.

London, Dec. 29th.

Bar Silver Spot	36 1/2
Closing Tone of Silver:—Quiet.	
Discount, Bank of England Rate 6 per cent. since 13th July 1916.	
Discount Bank Bills 3 m/st	5 9/16
Discount India Bank Bills 6 m/st	5¾
" Fine Trade Bills 3 months	5¾
" " 6 "	6¼
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" 7 day market loans	4½
Consols 2½	55¾
Rupee Paper 5%	Nominal
Indian Stock 3½% Sterling Loan	65¾
Government Securities 3½	57¼
Ex On London at Paris France	27.80

The London Markets are closed until Tuesday.

WAR LOANS.

London, Dec. 30th

5% 1925—1928	£95¼
4½% 1925—1945	£96¼

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

London, Dec. 30th.

AUSTRALIAN.

South Australian. Afloat Value	82/6

BARLEY.

Karachi Barley loading Paid	65

SEEDS.

Rapeseed, Ferozepore Usual Bold Dec.-Jan. Sellers.	90
Rapeseed, Yellow Guzerat, 416 lbs. ex Ship. Dec.-Jan. Nominal	94
Rapeseed, Brown, Cawnpore 416 lbs. ex-Ship Nov.-Dec. Sellers.	88/6
Toria Rapeseed Jan.-Feb. Sellers	92

LINSEED.

Linseed Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-Ship Dec-Jan Value	100

London, Dec. 29th.

Linseed Calcutta Dec.-Jan. Nominal	103

London, Dec. 30th.

METALS.

English best Selected Copper	£151¼
Standard Copper G. M. B. Nominal	£139
Copper Braziers	Nominal
Yellow Metal	17½
Hard Spelter Nominal	45

FREIGHT.

Coals:—Cardiff to Bombay Canal.—Nominal.

JAVA SUGAR.

Raw Java Nos. 16/18 C. & F. Calcutta Jan.-Feb.	23/3
Raw Java, C. & F. Bombay Jan.-Feb.	24/6
Do. Karachi Jan.-Feb.	23/7
Fine White Java C. & F. Calcutta Jan.-Feb.	25/9
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Do. do. Karachi Jan.-Feb.	26/1

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BOMBAY MARKETS.

Jan. 2.

Owing to New Year Holiday the Bombay Markets were closed yesterday.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Bombay, Jan 1st—4 p.m.

The following are to-day's closing rates as issued by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce.

Ready.	Bazaar Terms. Rs. a. p.	Rail Delivery Rs. a. p
Wheat, White Delhi 70-80	—	—
" White Cawnpore 70-80	—	—
" Karachi Bangla	—	—
Rapeseed, Brown Delhi	—	—
" Brown Cawnpore	—	—
" Yellow Cawnpore	—	—
Linseed, Brown Bold	—	—
" Brown Thin	—	—
Toolseed, White 85.15	—	—
" Gujar 75.25	—	—
" Black	—	—
" Gujar 50.50	—	—
Poppyseed, White	—	—
Groundnuts	—	—
Mowraseed	—	—

Ready Market closed.

Forward.	Rs. a. p.
Wheat April-May	6 7 4½
Linseed May	11 2 9

SILVER MARKET.

MESSRS MONTAGU'S REPORT.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co., in their Circular dated 30th November write:—

The Bank of England reserve of Gold against its note issues shows a decrease of £288,010 as compared with last week's return.

The production of gold in Ontario for the first six months of 1916 amounts to 235,060 ozs. as compared with 173,021 ozs. for 1915. The Ontario Government state that "if the present rate of production is maintained Ontario should reach the $10,000,000 mark for 1916 as compared with $8,500,000 for 1915."

The "Times" states under date 27th inst. that "Aluminium coins of one pfennig have been approved by the German Federal Council."

Although purchases have not been made upon any substantial scale on account of China, the firmness of exchanges from that quarter has not been without effect upon prices, for it has acted as a deterrent to sellers. Prices have advanced without a check, though with pauses, from 34 15/16 to 35 15/16d but no sensational rises have taken place as was the case in May last. Selling has been fitful in amount and on the whole, sluggish Buying has been varied in character and comprised some orders from the Indian Bazaars. The stock in London was reported on the 24th inst., as 8,360,000 standard ozs. an increase of about 600,000 since the 27th of last month. A considerable portion of the stock however was earmarked and not available for resale.

It will be observed from the figures given below that during one week the net shrinkage of the silver holding in the Indian Treasuries, inclusive of fresh coinage, amounted to about 14,000,000 Rupees. To replace this amount the quantity of silver required will be almost equal to the present stock in Bombay. The decline has not been spasmodic but almost without a break from July 31 last, when the total holding was over 28,000,000 Rupees. During this time very large additions of fresh minted coin have been made.

The last three Indian Currency Returns received by cable give details in Lacs of Rupees as follow:—

	Nov. 7.	Nov. 15.	Nov. 22
Notes in Circulation	7,365	7,460	7,582
Reserve in Silver Coin and Bullion	2,423	2,354	2,215
Gold Coin and Bullion	1,248	1,230	1,223
Gold in England	1,192	1,192	1,192

The stock in Bombay consists of 5,700 bars as compared with 6,600 bars last week. The stock in Shanghai on 27th November, 1916, consisted of about 20,200,000 ozs. in Sycee and 16,400,000 dollars as compared with about 20,000,000 ozs. in Sycee and 16,400,000 dollars on 18th November 1916. It was reported by mail from Shanghai that a total of 56,680,000 ozs. has left that centre (presumably since the efflux assumed importance). Of this 42,510,000 ozs. were shipped out of the country: allowing for the imports amounting to 4,360,000 ozs. (mostly from America) the net loss to China was 38,150,000 ozs. The unshipped balance of Shanghai exports was sent into the northern districts and to the outposts.

We understand that the "Deutscland's" consignment of silver is the first American shipment to Germany since the outbreak of war.

Shipments of 500,000 ozs. to Shanghai and 100,000 ozs. to Bombay have been made from San Francisco during the week.

Quotations for Bar Silver per oz. std:—

November 24th. 34 15/16 cash, no quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 25th. 35 3/16 cash, no quotation fixed for delivery.

November 27th. 35 5/16 cash, no quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 28th. 35 5/16 cash, no quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 29th 35 1/2 cash, no quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 30th. 35 15/16 cash, no quotation fixed for forward delivery.

Average for the week—35.364.

Bank Rate 6 per cent.

Bar Gold per oz. std Rs. 77/9

The quotation to-day for cash delivery is 1d. above that fixed a week ago.

WHEAT FORECAST.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 29.

The first wheat forecast gives the area sown a thirty-one million acres, or 8.4 per cent. above last year. The sowing season on the whole is favourable especially in the Punjab. The present condition is generally good, but want of rain is now beginning to be felt in the Punjab, U. P. and N.-W. F. P.

The winter oilseeds first forecast estimates rape and oil seeds ten per cent. above, and linseed three per cent. below last year.

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

BOOKING OF GOODS SUSPENDED.

The G. I. P. Railway Company have issued the following Press Note:—The G. I. P. Railway Administration have been obliged to suspend the booking of goods for the public in the direction of Bombay owing to shortage of coal, their current contracts being over 100,000 tons in arrears and the stocks at the depots reduced to a few days' consumption only. The shortage is due to heavy demands for coal for Government coinciding with a period of reduced output at the mines on account of inadequate supply of labour. It is hoped that it will be possible to resume booking before very long.

The Bank of Madras Bank rate remains unchanged.

WEATHER REPORT

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 31st Dec. 1916

Means of observations taken at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected to 32 deg Fahr.	29.947 Inch
Temperature of Air	72.5 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	68.7 "
Dew Point	58.6 "
Relative humidity of Air	0.624 "
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy—10)	0.4 "
Maximum temperature of Air	80.7 "
Minimum ....do.....do.	64.5 "
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight	NE,ESE,NW.
Movement of Wind in 24 hours from midnight to midnight	169 Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES IN BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.	Depth on Sill.	LOW WATER. Day of Month.	Bombay Mean time.	Depth on Sill.
	Jan.	h. m.	ft. in.	Jan.	h. m.	ft. in.
Mon.	1	m 4 44	16 9	1	m 11 35	17 7
Tues.	2	m 5 6 9a	25 7		11 54a	21 3
Wed.	3	m 5 44	25 10	2	0 44a	17 7
		7 39a	15 10			
		m 6 53	25 1	3	m 1 30	21 6
Thur	4	m 8 8	24 10	4	m 2 2	21 7
		9 55a	27 3		2 37a	17 2
Fri.	5	m 9 10	24 10	5	m 3 57	21 8
		10 38a	27 10		3 13	16 11
Sat.	6	m 10 0	15	6	m 4 4	20 8
		11 15a	18 3		4 21	16 9
Sun.	7	m 10 44	25 4	7	m 5 17	20 3
		11 48a	28 1		4 57	16 7

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Jan.		Sunrise.	Sunset.
"	1 (Monday)	" 7h. 12m.	" 6h 12m.
"	2 (Tuesday)	" 7h. 12m.	" 6h. 13m.
"	3 (Wednesday)	" 7h. 13m.	" 6h. 14m.
"	4 (Thursday)	" 7h. 13m.	" 6h. 14m.
"	5 (Friday)	" 7h. 13m.	" 6h. 15m.
"	6 (Saturday)	" 7h. 13m.	" 6h. 15m.
"	7 (Sunday)	" 7h. 13m.	" 6h. 16m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

New Moon	1916 Dec.	26th.,	8h. 1.2m. a.m.
First Quater		31st.,	5h. 37.2m. p.m.
Full Moon	1917 Jan	8th.,	1h. 12.6m. "
Last Quarter	" "	16th.,	5h. 12.1m. p.m.

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 32 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, on the 1st January 1917 was 30.191 inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by .031 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .18c inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m. Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .01d inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

THE HINDU UNIVERSITY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—As the building work of the Benares Hindu University is now shortly to be started, I wish to appeal through your columns to the great Hindu public to help me with working materials as they so well have already done in money.

In a work of such dimensions, there is room for all kinds of materials such as stone and timber of various kinds, steel and iron work, electrical and mechanical plant, tools and light railway material, etc., etc.

I do not think it is too much to expect from my Hindu friends to offer any of these, they may have to spare, or to undergo a little trouble and sell any of these &c, or purchase the same for, the University bearing their name without any pecuniary profits to themselves whatsoever. In case any one offering such materials would like to get the value of his help calculated in money, I would be glad to request the University authorities to accept such gifts in kind or transactions as if they were subscriptions in coin, and such gentlemen will be considered as donors to the extent of the value of such materials or helpful transaction as adjudged by me, and will be eligible to all the privileges which donors of such amounts in cash would otherwise have. The necessary adjustments will be carried out in this office. As for work, I should be grateful to receive models, photographs and drawings of works of art, which any of your readers would be pleased to supply. In order to achieve the best possible result with the means at our disposal, and to secure the construction of structures befitting the great Hindu community, I hope every Hindu will come forward with any help it may be in his power to give, and correspond with me.—Yours, etc.

JWALA PRASADA, B.A.,
Superintendent of Works,
Benares Hindu University.

7th crop reports for the week ending December 23rd show no important change. The standing crops are in good condition and the prospects are fair to excellent but the week has ben rainlesss and rain is required for the spring crop in the north-west. The price of common rice has fallen in Burma, Assam, Bengal and Bihar and Orissa, elsewhere the general level of prices remains practically unchanged. The prices of wheat in the Punjab are—Ambala 8 Lahore and Rawalpindi 9, Ferozepur 9¾ and Lyallpur 10 seers per rupee.

DO YOU WISH TO KNOW YOUR "FUTURE"

State your time and date of birth or your star and age or note the time when you write the letter, you will be given a full reading of your life for one year to come for ONE RUPEE ONLY.

Mr. S. H. N. M. VIJAYAKAR, B.A., L.L.B., Vakil High Court BOMBAY writes on 20th December, 1916. "I was much satisfied by your one year reading of the last year for me."

THE KALINGA ASTROLOGICAL BUREAU,
CHODAVARAM, Vizagapatam District.

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YESTERDAY'S RACING AT MAHALAXUMI.

A LARGE ATTENDANCE.

LLANGEINOR WINS NEW YEAR PLATE.

TOOTSIE'S BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE.

(From our Racing Correspondent.)

The third extra meeting was held yesterday at the Mahalaxumi Race Course before a large gathering in the first enclosure and a huges' crowd in the second enclosure. The member's stand, as on the last occasion, was almost empty. It being New Year's day a holiday crowd was out to try its fortune. The result, however, must have been disappointing to many as some rank outsiders romped in. Llangenior won the New Year Plate. It was a popular win as the horse was well fancied Hasty, late England, won the 2nd Division of the Bhuleshwar Plate, bringing the remunerative dividend of Rs. 439-8 for win and Rs. 120 for place. The horse was not even thought of as Ebrahim was in the saddle. The Brighton Plate of Rs. 3,000 for the winner was carried by Tootsie, a new acquisition of Messrs. Heath and Stewart. It was rumoured that this mare was a good thing and many must have regretted that they did not invest their ten rupee notes on her as it was evident soon after the start that she was out to win, and win she did in a handsome fashion. Among the successful jockies Collis, Ebrahim, Rose, Pullin Trahan, Ringstead and Harrison each won a race.

The events of the day started with the Ripon Plate in which seven starters took the field, Seigneurie and Airman being the most fancied, Chastity and Megale also receiving some attention. In the race Seigneurie had the field at his mercy from the start though Pension made a late rush past the stand, but could make no impression on the leader.

The second race of the day was the 2nd division of the Bhuleshwar Plate, a race for Arab horses of the 3rd Division. It was run on the five furlong straight course. It was a crowded field of nineteen horses. To pick a winner in such a crowd was a hopeless task. As it is, a rank outsider, mounted by Ebrahim, won the race paying the handsome dividend of Rs. 493. Boynet, the favourite, came in for second place.

The five-furlong race on the straight course is as unpopular as ever. So unpopular has it become that few of the public take the trouble to go across to witness it, and newspapers, some of them its erstwhile supporters, do not even come to describe it, while many experienced punters have ceased to back it. It came into existence, as every bodyknows, on account of the sharp curve at the bend that made a short race with a large field a positive danger to jockeys and horses, as many nasty accidents have demonsrtated. Now that the course has been altered and the straight lengthened, there is no valid reason why the five-furlong race should not be run again on the old course. It is felt that if this reversion is not possible this race should be abolished altogether. It must be candidly admitted that a race on this course is altogether devoid of interest. It is more in the nature of a light cavalry charge than a race. The finish is uninteresting, and it is doubtful whether it can be judged properly as the incident of Margreen and Dorian in the last meeting seems to indicate. Certain it is, that the public are unanimous in hoping that the executive will abolish it for good and revert to the old method. The straight course will always have the *raison d'etre* for the mile and half race, for which its existence is justified, in this sense that the short for this race is in a long straight and no dangerous curve need be feared.

The Bandra Plate saw a good field of reliable Arabs paraded before the stands. Ajax, Malacca, Black Ivory, Osprey and Collingwood being much admired. Ajax was installed favourte, Osprey and Brimo having also a good share of support. It was a pretty race and Osprey demonstrated again his great Poona form. Malacca ran well under its heavy weight and placed third. It is a long time since this horse has appeared in public.

The most important event of the day was the New Year Plate which offered a stake of Rs. 4,500 to the winner and Rs. 1,500 to the second. Some well sprinters were out to contest this prize. Fire Finch, Hoppner with his light weight, and Llangeinor received most attention. Silver Thrust and Rolling Stock not being neglected. At the last moment a push was made on Miss Rolleston which made this race and evenly contested one. It was undoubtedly the most open race of the day. When it came to actual running Llangeinor soon established himself at the head of the field and never for a moment left the issue in doubt. Silver Thrust was the only one who tried to dispute matters in the straight. But Llangeinor held his field safely and won in a canter.

The Bhuleshwar Plate 1st Division was also run on the five-furlong straight course. Planet who was the favourite ran gamely with Trenoweth up, but the winner turned out to be Mount Pleasant, a very fast performer over short distances.

A good field of waiers was marshalled at the post for the Brighton Plate. Triple Alliance having declined, Madrina was made a hot favourite. Tootsie a new comer surprised many by winning in a most convincing manner giving Ringstead his first win of the season. Madrina disappointed many as she was expected to run a better race on her previous performance.

The Virar Plate was the last race on the card, Hurchan, Sirmust and Ata Ailah receiving most support. It was rumoured that Advance who is known to be a very fast runner over five and six furlongs was likely to be a fluke and many expected him to run better than he did. He led to the bend with Hurchan and Ata Allah and died away in the straight. He wants a little more work and so does Crusadar who appears a little stiff yet.

The approaches to the Bombay Race Course from Jacob Circle side, owing to the level crossing, are always troublesome and give rise to much grumbling. The gates are generosly closed at the time of the greatest traffic. The resulting congestion that takes place with its attendant confusion, defies all description. This is especially more noticeable after the races, when every one seems too impatient to get away. The rush of motor cars, carriages, bicycles and reckless pedestrians the moment the gates are opened is dangerous in the extreme. At the race-course gates the regulation of traffic calls for some criticism. It is true that the number of carriages and motorcars which have to pass through such a limited space, which constitutes the entrance is rather difficult to manage, and the task requires great tack and care to deal with. Still, there is absolutely no reason to bewilder these carriage and motor drivers, especially the victoria-wallahs, by hurrying them up before they have time to deposit their passengers and receive their fares. They are made to approach in a double file before the gates. This should be discontinued. The passengers who alight on the outer row have to mind the vehicles coming behind and to dodge those in the inner row before they can reach the gates. This is especially dangerous to the ladies and will simply result in an accident before long. Last year, during the big races, many used to complain about this. It is to be hoped that the vehicles will be made to approach in a single file and time given for the occupants to alight, though this may cause a little delay to the police officers in charge of the arrangements.

Details:—

THE RIPON PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 1,500; second, Rs. 500; third, Rs. 300. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 3rd Division.—Distance—1 mile.

General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's SEIGNEURIE, 8-4, Collis 1
Mr. R. H. Gahagan's PENSION, 7-13, Bullock 2
Mr. M. Goculdass' MEGALE, 8-10, Ringstead 3

Also Ran:—Cyanite 9-7, Villeroy 9, Airman 8-5, and Mossy 7-11.

The Race:—Seigneurie, Megale and Airman led to the straight, where Seigneurie took command of the field. Megale dropped back. Pension made a late run and deprived Megale of second place. Won by 2½ lengths, neck, neck.

Time:—1 min. 47⅕ secs.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 24-8. Place Rs. 16-8 and Rs. 21-8.

Trainer:—C. Bleach.

THE BHULESHWAR PLATE. (Division II.)—Winner, Rs. 750; second, Rs. 200; third, Rs. 100. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs in the 3rd Division.—Distance—5 furlongs (Straight).

Mr. Valijee Moosajee's HASTY (late England), 7-11, Ebrahim 1
Mr. Abdullah Mana's BAYONET, 8-5, Zamil 2
Messrs. Wahed and Mirza Ahmed's GRAND MASTER, 8-7, Buckley 3

Also Ran:—Old China 9-2, Nimrod 8-13, Good Morning 8-12, Justice 8-12, Panama 8-11, The Ney 8-10, Grey Hawk 8-8, Mint Master 7-9, Oriental Balm 8-6, Czar 8-6, Iqbal 8-2, Bikaneer 8-1, Shatra 7-13, White Star 7-9, Raj Mahal 7-7, and Bhayram 7-3.

The Race:—Hasty and Bayonet made the running from Grand Master and Grey Hawk. Hasty had a clear lead, but Bayonet covered a lot of ground and nearly snatched the race. The rest finished in a bunch in a most uninteresting manner, at least, to beholders on the Grand Stands. Won by ½ length, neck, neck.

Time:—1 min. 8⅕ secs.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 439-8. Place Rs. 120. Rs. 30 and Rs. 84.

Trainer:—Mahomed Ismal.

THE BANDRA PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 1,500; second, Rs. 500; third, Rs. 300. High Weight Handicap for Arabs in the 2nd Division.—Distance—About 7 furlongs.

Mr. S. A. Wahed's OSPREY, 8-4, Rose .. 1
Mr. Heath's COLLINGWOOD, 8-1, Ringstead 2
Mr. A. S. Oomer's MALACCA, 9-5, A. Templeman 3

Also Ran:—Gazal 7-9, Brimo 9-1, Ajax 9, Moshel 8-10, Aimer 8-5, Partner 7-13, Oxford 7-13, Black Ivory 7-10, Kaiumers 7-6, Powerful 7-3, and Welcome 7-0.

The Race:—Ajax, Osprey and Collingwood made the running closely followed by Malacca. The others far behind. At the bend Ajax dropped away and Osprey made the pace hot for Collingwood. Malacca put in a late rush and secured third place. Osprey won comfortably by ½ length, ½ length, second and third, 1½ length fourth.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 83-8. Place Rs. 24-8, Rs. 30-8, and Rs. 60-8.

Trainer:—Mahomed Khailan.

THE NEW YEAR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 4,500; second, Rs. 1,500; third, Rs. 750. A High Weight Handicap for Horses.—Distance—About 6 furlongs.

Messrs. Skelton and Pechoy's LLANGEINOR, 7-13, Pullin 1
Mr. Heath's SILVER THRUST, 9-0, F. Hardy 2
Mr. Pallonjee's HOPPNER, 7-4, Japheth. 3

Also Ran:—Polish 9-8, Fire Finch 7-8, Criton 9-1, Joyous Gard 8-10, Miss Rollestone 8-4, and Rolling Stock 6-7.

The Race:—Llangeinor, Hoppner and Silver Trust did the running for the greater part of the journey when Rolling Stock closed up. In the straight Llangeinor improved on his pace and took a clear lead to win by 1½ length from Silver Thrust, Hoppner ¾ length behind.

Time:—1 min. 15 secs.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 49-8. Places Rs. 17, Rs. 23-8 and Rs. 24.

Trainer:—Byramjee Rustomjee.

THE BHULESHWAR PLATE. (Division I.)—Winner, Rs. 1,000; second, Rs. 300; third, Rs. 200. A High Weight Handicap for Arabs in the 3rd Divison. Distance—5 furlongs (Straight).

Mr. Frank's MOUNT PLEASANT, 8-5, Trahan 1
Mr. George's PLANET, 8-10, Treveneth.... 2
Mr. Ali bin Talib's SHERALI, 8-1, Mujeed. 3

Also Ran:—Collector 9-2, Sultan 8-12, Lightning 8-12, Present 8-10, Flying Machine 8-6, Active 8-5, Challenger 8-5, Rosy Morn 8-4, Faleh Khan 7-13, Safi 7-12, Remmes 7-12, Arabian Consul 7-10, and Acetine 7-7.

The Race:—Mount Pleasant closely followed by Planet did the running from start to finish followed by Sherali and Remmes, the rest of the field lying back almost abreast. Mount Pleasant won easily from Planet who came with a strong finish towards the end. Neck, Neck, ¼ length.

Time:—1min. 8 secs.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 198. Places Rs. 61, Rs. 31-8 and Rs. 41-8.

Trainer:—Oomar Khan.

THE BRIGHTON PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 3,000; second, Rs. 1,000; third, Rs. 500. A High Weight Handicap for Horses in the 2nd Division.—Distance—About 7 furlongs.

Messrs. Stewart and Heath's TOOTSIE, 8-0, Ringstead 1
Mr. R. R. S.'s BUNTY, 8-5, Pullin 2
Mr. M. Goculdass' SOULTLINE, 9-0, Trahan 3

Also Ran:—Orloff 9-10, Thunder 9-7, Pretty Good Sort 7-7, Uto 8-4, Somali 8-2, Madrina 8-0, and Kim III 7-9.

The Race:—Tootsie and Soultline ran abreast, followed by Bunty, Madrina lying fifth. At the bend Tootsie shook off Bunty and established a clear lead. Soultline from the outside tried hard to catch the leader who outstayed by one length and a quarter, short head, neck.

Time:—1min. 32⅘ secs.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 86. Places Rs. 46-8, Rs 18-8, and Rs. 68-8.

Trainer:—T. Harrison.

THE VIRAR PLATE.—Winner, Rs. 1,500; second, Rs. 500; third, Rs. 300. A High Weight Handicap for Arab Ponies 14 hands and under in the 2nd Division.—Distance—About 6 furlongs.

Mr. Jehangir's ATA ALLAH, 7-12, Harrison 1
Mr. Nanjee's HURCHAN, 8-7, Hardy 2
Messrs. Goculdas and Mathuradass' CRUSADER, 7-7, Ringstead 3

Also Ran:—Tenebreuse 9-4, Defender 9-2, Advance 8-0, Sirmust 8-2, Cyprus 7-12, Bethoven 7-12 and Tawdry 7-10.

The Race:—Hurchan, Advance and Crusader did most of the running followed by Ata Allah, who lay handy. At the 4 furlong Degfender crept up to fourth position and Advance began to fall off. In the straight Hurchan went away and looked a winner when Ata Allah came with a great run and won by a short head, head, ½ length.

Time:—1 min. 25⅕ secs.

There was an objection against the winner which was overruled.

Tote paid:—Win. Rs. 59. Places Rs. 18, Rs. 15 and Rs. 53-8.

Trainer:—Saieh Dakeel.

KHOJA YOUTHS.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In the interest of the Khoja public I wish publicly to congratulate Mr. G. P. Merchant on his correct grasp and his public reiteration through the columns of the "Chronicle" of a few views of certain members of the Khoja community expressed at meetings of the Y. M. K. A. and the Y. K. Brotherhood, and to state that he has supplied an important omission on the part of the secretaries or debate secretaries of the aforesaid institutions.

With regard to the remaining portion of his letter published in the "Chronicle" of the 28th instant I respectfully submit that the community would, in my opinion, have had reason to be grateful to him if he had not so prematurely, if unintentionally inflicted the same on the public. Dealing with this portion, in my opinion, one would think that he must have been a member of the "Young Khoja Friends Union" now merged in the Y. K. Brotherhood and never a member either of the Young Khoja United Association or the Y. M. K. A., and that as such he and—or some friends of his—also members of the said Union—must have participated in the adoption on the part of the Y. K. Brotherhood only last month of the new aims and objects detailed in his letter under reference.

The amalgamation of the two institutions into Y. K. Brotherhood took place in August last and he should not on the 25th December have said that one of the two had been "in a tottering condition for want of proper management," even if that had been a fact which many would consider to be an unfounded statement.

As one about to preach amalgamation of the Brotherhood and the Y. M. K. A., he ought to have known that the terms in in which he was referring to the past condition of one of the united association would and could not endear him to any self-respecting patriotic member of the Brotherhood, and that allegations or misrepresentations like these in newspapers would generally not be expected to be coupled with a genuine and sincere desire on his part for the amalgamation of the Brotherhood and the Y. M. K. A.. I have very good reason to state that Mr. Merchant is not personally unacquainted with the honorary secretaries of the Brotherhood and the Y. M. K. A., and consequently I can not understand why instead of addressing the two institutions in the first instance on the subject of their amalgamation and then going to the press for educating Khoja public opinion with particulars of his experience and views in case of his being dissatisfied with the action of those responsible for the management of the two institutions, he has thought fit to advertise the very recently altered aims and objects of the Brotherhood and the fact that the Y. K. U. Association was "in a tottering condition, etc.," necessitating its amalgamation with the Union in August. If he is a member of the Brotherhood, I do not see why when the new aims and objects were being adopted he did not suggest to the Brotherhood that as they were going to adopt aims and objects identical with those of the Y. M. K. A. they had rather amalgamate with the latter institution on the plea that union was strength. Members of the M. J. Khoja Library are sole proprietors and controllers of the library and it is a part of their duty to elect annually its honorary office bearers and to exercise the necessary control over them. Mr. Merchant should know that the only persons to approach on the subject of mismanagement of the honorary executive of the library are the members of the library and not exactly the Khoja community. Why does he not exercise his right as a member of the Library and call the attention in writing of the managing committee to their mismanagement, whether of commission or ommission, which he alludes to?—Yours, etc.

A SCHOOL BOY.

Bombay, 29-12-16.

CALCUTTA RACES.

GRAND NATIONAL WON BY LARRIKIN.

(From our Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Jan. 1.

The attendance to-day was large but on account of a rather tame programme there was not much zest in the racing. But thanks to good handicapping there were several desperate finishes placed horses passing close together. The Indian Grand National was won by Larrikin, an outsider the best backed horse struggling into third place.

Details:—

THE INDIAN GRAND NATIONAL PLATE,—Distance 3 Miles.

Mr. Bartleet's LARRIKIN, 9-4, Scott 1
Mr. R. A. C. Pugh's DYNEVOR PARK 9-5, Barker, ... 2
Messers. Swan and Hisliardas' FOOTSTEPS FEARLESS, 9-8 Northmore 3

Also Ran:—Dolly Dimple 11-0, Lesto 10-13, Shotto 10-1 (cd 10-5), Turbulent 9-10 (cd 9-13), Chevelier 9-1.

Betting:—Twos Footsteps Fearless, fives Sholto, sevens, Lesto and Dolly Dimple, tens rest.

The Race:—Larriking led all through and though jumping badly managed to win comfortably by four lengths. Behind the leader were Footsteps Fearless, Dolly Dimple and Dynevor Park. After going about two miles Dolly Dimple tired and dropped behind. Dynevor Park put up a spurt and finished four lenths in front of Footsteps Fearless.

Time:—6 mins. 7 3/5 secs.

Totes Paid:—Win Rs. 83. Places Rs. 20, 21 and 15.

THE FOLLY'S MULLAH STLEPLACHASE PLATE.—Distance 2½ miles.

Mr. Scott's SEA LAD, 10-13, Ray 1
Mr. Donetil's TARFOOT 11-3, A Scott, ... 2
Mr. Norton's SIMON'S LIGHT 10-5, Barker 3

Also Ran:—Dolly Schomberg 10-4, Little Sim 11-7, Oriflamme 10-1 (fell), Little Arch 9-13.

Betting:—5 to 2 Little Sim, fours Tarfoot and Dolly Schomberg, fives Simon's Light and Oriflamme, sixes Sea Lad, sevens Little Arch.

The Race:—Oriflamme led with Little Sim and Tarfoot together second then Simon's Light, then Sea Lad. Coming second time round Oriflamme fell and Little Sim pulled up. Sea Lad now went ahead and won easily by five lengths, 1½ lengths between second and third.

Time:—4 mins. 24 2/5 secs

Totes Paid:—Win Rs. 62, Places Rs. 36 and 24.

THE ST. GEORGE'S PLATE, Division I.—Distance 1 mile:—

Mr. R. R. S.'s STAGELAND 8-9 Templeman 1
Mr. Thaddu's LOUISE DUVAL 8-3 (cd 8-4) Ruiz 2
The Zemindar of Nazergunj's MISS DRAKE 8-2 Barett 3

Also Ran:—Yuan 9-2, Stage Fright 7-12 (cd 8-1.)

Betting:—5 to 4 Yuan, twos Louise Duval, fives Stage Fright, sixes Stageland and eights Miss Drake.

The Race:—Stageland went off like blazed and soon established a long lead with Louise Duval, Miss Drake and Yuan coming strong after him. The leader however just stayed long enough to win by a neck a short head between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 40 4/5 secs.

Totes Paid:— Win Rs. 58, Places Rs. 25 and 18.

THE ST. GEORGE'S PLATE. Division II.—Distance 1 mile:—

Thakur Sripal Singh's TALCUM 8-3, Frith 1
H. H. The Maharaja Patiala's MAY BOY 9-9, Huxley 2
Mr. Gahagan's NORTH 7-9, Lynch 3

Also Ran:— Watch Tower 9-6, Ironprufe 9-12 Yourkers 9-9, Lady Betty 9-3, Patmalone 8-11.

Betting:—3 to 2 May Boy, fours Watch Tower, tens, the rest.

The Race:—Lady Betty led for about three furlangs, then Talcu mtook up, running with North and May Boy. Opposite the stand the last named put forth a strong run but lost by half a length, one length between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 41 2/5 secs.

Totes Paid:—Win Rs. 67, Places Rs. 20, 18 and 18.

THE CHROWRINGHEE PLATE.—Distance —7 furlongs.

Messrs. Nanjee and Ramshaw's PANTOMIM, 7-12, Flynn .....
Mr. Goculdas' SWANKER, 8-6, Huxley ...
Mr. Thaddeu's EVETT, 9-1, Ruiz 3*
Mr. Lauder's SYMREX, 8-6, Stokes 3*

(*Dead heat.)

Also Ran:—Dersingham 8-13.

Betting:—3 to 2 Swanker, fours Symrex, fives Evett, eights the rest.

The Race:—After a good start Symrex and Dersinghaam took the lead in front of Evett and Symrex and Pantomim last. Two furlongs from home Dersingham fell off and Swanker wrested the lead. Opposite the stand Pantomim came through and overhauling all won by a neck, three lengths between second and dead-heaters.

Time:—1 min. 2 3-5 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 87 win, Rs. 33 and Rs. 17 places.

THE AVENUE PLATE, Division I.—Distance—6 furlongs.

Messrs. Donetil and Page's GUESS 9-7, Ruiz 1
Mr. Lindsay's TOLLENDAL, 9-1, Templeman .....
Mr. Roy's WARDEN, 8-6, Barrett 3*
Mr. Lauder's STAR OF INDIA, 8-5 ..... 3*

(*Dead heat.)

Also Ran:—Kitty O'Hara 8-4, Battlehurst 8-2, Blusterer 7-11, King Avondale 7-2.

Betting:—Evens Guess, fours Tollendal and Blusterer, sevens Warden, tens and more the rest.

The Race:—Tollendal led with Warden next, then Star of India and Guess. The last named came very fast on the rails and overhauling all, won by a short head. There was a desperate race for the third place between Warden and Star of India who deadheated for it.

Time:—1 min. 14 4-5 secs.

Totes paid Rs. 32 win, and Rs. 14, Rs. 15, Rs. 15, and Rs. 17 places.

THE AVENUE PLATE, Division II.—Distance—6 furlongs.

Mr. Lauder and Lt.-Col. Smith's GRACEFIELD, 7-11, Stokes .....
Mr. Basheer Ali's CATCH, 8-10, Huxley. 2
Mr. Bartlet's SONGREBE, 8-3, Lynch ... 3

Also Ran:—Hookkoo 7-8, (car 8-1), Hospodar 9-0, One 8-13, Tobique 8-4, Hit Or Miss 7-11, Decamp 7-7.

Betting:—fours Catch, Tobique and Hookoo, fives One, Sungrebe and Gracefield, tens the rest.

The Race:—Gracefield and Hospodar led together with Sungrebe second and Catch last but one. Hospodar fell off beaten opposite the stands but Gracefield went on to win by 2½ lengths, ½ length between second and third.

Time:—1 min. 15 1-5 secs.

Totalizators paid Rs. 105 win, and Rs. 36, Rs. 20 and Rs. 27 places.

MR. EDISON ON WAR AND SCIENCE.

THE PROBLEM OF THE SUBMARINE

"Science," said Mr. Edison to Mr. Edwin Marshall, a representative of the "Observer," "will give us anything. I have been astonished by the fact that there is nothing new in this war. I had expected new things, at least of the Germans. But there have been no new things—not even new atrocities or novel brutalities. All in the way of cruelties and oppression which has happened in Belgium and North France might have been done in the Dark Ages.

"All that has happened which may be classified as scientific advance has been obvious—the mere and sometimes maladroit application to war of principles and even definite devices perfectly well known to peace. So, while science is willing to give us anything if we ask intelligently, she has given Europe very little that is new for the promotion of this struggle."

"What might she have given?" Mr. Marshall asked.

"I must not say too much along that line," said Mr. Edison; and this was reasonable, for he is at the head of the American Naval Consulting Board. "But this much I am willing to say: there is no scientific reason for the ignorance of any navy as to the exact whereabouts of enemy ships within reasonable distances."

TO FIND THE U BOATS.

"Even as to the exact whereabouts of enemy submarines?"

Mr. Edison nodded, "Even," he said, "as to the exact whereabouts of enemy submarines within restricted areas."

"All sides," he went on, "have failed to take advantage of modern science. The world has stood aghast at what Germany has done through the application of some age-old ideas to modern warfare, as, for instance, in the use of asphyxiating gases and projected flame. Both are very old devices and neither should have caused the enemies of Germany any trouble whatsoever.

"I have been more astonished by Germany's failure to bring forth new ideas than by the failure of England and France to do so, for Germany has specialised in chemistry and electricity, and even in mechanics, more extensively than any of her opponents."

SIR G. BIRDWOOD.

"I WOULD LIKE TO BE A SCAMP FOR A CHANGE."

Sir George Birdwood, *doyen* of delightful letter-writters, philosopher and optimist, has just entered cheerily upon his eighty-fifth year.

"I am spending the evening of my life full of hope and assurance of a happy issue—a victorious issue—of the Allies in Armageddon," he said to a "Daily Mail" representative. "I am an optimist still. Of course I see the difficulties; in the summer I had fond hopes that Christmas Day would see the end. If that cannot be now, we have at last the consolation of knowing that the last few days have flashed a bright ray of hope athwart the nation. And I know that Mr. Lloyd George, with his new and enormous responsibilities, is the very man for the position he has now found himself in. With such a magnetic and masterful figure at the head of affairs now I have every confidence in the reconstruction, provided it has the full support of the nation."

Turning for a brief moment to his own affairs, Sir George arose from the sofa upon which he was reclining, wrapped his furred dressing-gown around his sparous, small figure, executed a cuortly bow, and said with a smile:—

"Behold me now—a saint! To-day I have reached the figure of age mightily cherished by the wise Hindu. It is called by him 'chaurasi,' which means 'the eighty-four-er'—being the sacred number obtained by multiplying the signs of the Zodiac by the number of the planets. When a man is chaurasi—such as I—he is totally exempt from all punishments, celestial or mundane. He may become as big a scamp as he pleases; and I feel, as the true chaurasi of Ealing, that I should very much like to be a scamp, for a change. My spirit is willing—but my legs are weak! I am chaurasi—but I'm eighty-four! So I suppose I shall have to go on in the old way, but with new and strange things to meditate over."

"The war has overwhelmed me and mine. Twenty-nine members of my family are in it, and four bearing my name have already paid the great sacrifice. One, truly, has so far borne a charmed life. He is my nephew—General Birdwood, the bright star of the Anzacs.

"Thus you can understand my close intimacy with the great tumult which has engulfed us all. It has strengthened me. I believe, for another year's watching and waiting—always hoping and always optimistic. I shall see the end. I am convinced. Come and see me again on my birthday next year and we'll crack a bottle for remembrance!"

ALL INDIA WEATHER.

(Associated Press.)

SIMLA, Jan. 1.

A depression from the west is entering Baluchistan. Disturbed conditions have given few falls of rain south-east of Madras.

Forecast:—Few falls in Baluchistan and south of the Peninsula.

PROCLAMATION PARADE.

A proclamation parade of the troops in garrison at Colaba was held at 8-30 a.m., yesterday. A "feu-de-joie" was fired and three cheers were given for the King-Emperor, after which the troops marched past, and returned to barracks.

A salute of thirty-one guns was fired from the Saluting Battery at 12 noon yesterday.

BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

TO-DAY.

Parsi: 24th of Tir, 1286.
Hindu: 9th of Posh Sud, 1973.
Mahomedan: 7th of Rubee-at-Awal, 1335.
Sunrise 7-14, Sunset 6-4.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Mails for Laurenzo Marquis and South Africa via Dhanushkodi and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p.m.

Mails consisting of specially superscribed correspondence for Singapore, China and Japan will be closed at the General Post Office at 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, Jan. 4.

Excelsior Theatre: Miss. Ada Reeve and he Co., in Eliza Comes to Stay" at 9-30 p.m.

DAILY.

Excelsior Theatre: Miss Ada Reeve and her Co., at 9-30 p.m.
Empire Cinema: 4-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
Royal Opera House, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: at 6-30 and 10 p.m. every Wednesday, Saturday and Monday, 10 p.m., Show every Sunday at 6-30 as Edwardes.
New Alexandra Cinema, Lohar Chawl, Princess Street.
Olympia Cinema, Sandhurst Road.
West End Cinema, Charni Road: 6-45, 8-30 and 10.
New Alhambra Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 2, 6-45 and 10-30.

Domestic Occurrence.

DEATH.

"UTHMANA CEREMONY".—Jamnadas Vanmali Vora and Dr. Jethalal Vanmali's mother Jamnabai died yesterday noon. Uthamana Ceremony will take place to-day at 4 p.m. (B.T.), at their residence in Barbhaya's Mahla.

1ST TROOP BOMBAY BADEN POWELL BOY SCOUTS.

Orders for the week ending January 6th, 1917:—

Wednesday, January 3rd.—Plain clothes parade on Maidan at 5-30 p.m. Individual and patrol drill towards yearly efficiency. Cubs—Physical drill and games.

Saturday, January 6th.—Full uniform parade (ceremonial uniform) with staves, at 4 p.m. Fall in at John Connon School Gate under Patrol Leaders. Leave granted only on written application. Patrol Leaders will please notify A.S.M. as to how many scouts will be present.

Tests.—Scouts Balfour and King having satisfied the examiner in Kim's Game are duly passed.

Efficiency.—On and from January 1st, Patrol marks will be awarded for patrol efficiency on every parade, stated in orders.

Subscriptions.—For January are now due and should be collected by Patrol Leaders.

BAND AT THE P. V. MARY GYMKHANA

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V.D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Railway, Volunteers, will play a programme of music, this evening commencing at 6-15 p.m.

BAND AT THE R. B. Y. CLUB.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play a programme of music, this evening under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Band Master, commencing at 6 p.m.

NEWLY BORN CHILD FOUND DEAD.

Dr. W. Nunan, Acting Coroner, held an inquest, yesterday, touching the death of a newly-born female child, whose body was found lying in a lavatory on the first floor of a house in Sarang Street. The Police Surgeon, who examined the body, was of opinion that death was due to strangulation caused by pressure on the neck. The jury returned a verdict that death was due to strangulation but that there was no evidence to show how or by whom the strangulation was effected.

THEFT IN AN ARAB MERCHANT'S HOUSE.

Haji Ahmed Mahomed, an Arab merchant, who arrived in Bombay from Busra on the 23rd ultimo, reports that his room in a house at Bellasis Road where he is putting up, was broken into and three boxes forced open and currency notes for Rs. 7,000 and silver watches of the collective value of Rs. 100 were stolen during his absence. The police have made enquiries and made two arrests and recovered Rs. 2,285. They are making further enquiries in the matter.

SERIOUS MOTOR-CART COLLISION.

A collision occurred near the three-lamp post at Nana's Chowk between motor car No. 984 belonging to Mr. B. B. Jasawala of Warden Road which was being driven by one Mahabkhan in the direction of Grant Road Bridge and an empty labour cart which was going in the same direction. The cart was thrown against the verandah of a milk shop and two persons walking on the road were thrown down and a third was caught between the wall of the shop and the bullocks and had his right knee fractured. Mr. Jasawala got down and was attending to the injured persons, when the driver left the car and ran away. The driver was only four days in Mr. Jasawala's employ and has not since been heard of.

RUN OVER BY A CARRIAGE.

Dr. W. Nunan, Acting Coroner, held an inquest, yesterday, at the Coroner's Court, touching the death of Bhanji Lalji, a Hindu, aged about 24 years. The evidence was to the effect that about 7-15 p.m. on Sunday the deceased was going along Sandhurst Road near Gole Pitha, when he was knocked down by the horse of a carriage driven by one Lalu Bhana which was going very fast in the same direction. The wheels passed over the deceased. Lalu drove on fast but was given chase to by P. C. 2439 D, who followed him in another gharry and overtook him at Churney Road. The deceased was removed to the Sir J. J. Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries in the evening. The jury returned a verdict of death from rupture of the liver due to the deceased having been run over by the carriage and added that the driver was to blame for driving too fast in a crowded thoroughfare and for having endeavoured to escape after the occurrence.

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.
Tuesday, January 2, 1917.

"BRITISH CITIZENSHIP."

Indians are being constantly urged to realize, with appreciation and gratitude, all that their British citizenship implies and stands for. Nor is there the slightest chance of that invaluable asset being misapprehended or under-estimated by the well-informed sections of the community in India. But unfortunately it is the case that in various parts of the British Empire an Indian subject of his Majesty, whatever his position, profession or social standing, is penalised and insulted for no other crime, apparently, than his Indian nationality. We have not in mind, at the present moment, such large outstanding questions as the treatment of Indians in the Self-Governing Dominions of the Empire. That is a problem clamouring for solution, and will no doubt be attended to in due course. But in other parts of the Empire where neither economic issues are at stake, nor any question of permanent settlement, so to say, is involved, Indians, from the evidence in our possession, would seem to be habitually treated with a lack of consideration by so-called Britishers which is no less illegal than impudent. Several complaints have reached us in recent months from responsible and respectable Indians who have met with offensive and gratuitous annoyance in the course of their travels for business or pleasure from one part of the Empire to the other. It must be borne in mind that the type of case we have in mind is not that of affront or insult levelled at individuals but at Indians *qua* Indians. We have refrained from dealing with them, or giving the facts publicity, as we considered that they might lend themselves to an aggravation of race feeling which at the present time it was desirable and expedient to put in the back-ground. But the evil seems to be on the increase. It has apparently become very difficult, if not impossible, for any loyal subject of the King-Emperor, if he have the disastrous disability of Indian nationality, to travel in peace or comfort from one part of his Majesty's dominions to another. A variety of Imperialist boor evidently presides over the arrangements of travel who is never so happy as when he can hurl an indignity at an Indian,—just to let him know, as it were, that he is that solitary survival in the scheme of the British Empire, a citizen of a Great Dependency! Here is a case in point, whose details we have been at some pains to verify. Mr. P. M. Bhicaji, a highly respectable Parsi, a *British* citizen, sailed from Delagoa Bay by the s.s. Dunera for Bombay. He was the possessor of a first-class return ticket. When the steamer touched at Zanzibar, where it was to call halt for 48 hours, the *British* Emigration Officer came on board for the customary inspection of passports, before allowing passengers to go ashore. This Imperialist checked the passports of the European passengers only, refusing even to look at any non-European's passport. Mr. Bhicaji, who has considerable business interests at Zanzibar, was naturally anxious to go ashore. He had with him not only his proper legal passport, but, in addition, a Certificate from H B. M.'s Consul-General at Lourenco Marques, stating that "the firm of Meherji Bhicaji of Lourenco Margques, are well-known to me as of loyal British Indian constitution." The British Emigration Officer flatly refused even to look at either Mr. Bhicaji's passport or his Certificate from his Britannic Majesty's Consul-General. He airily informed Mr. Bhicaji that no Indians on any account were to be allowed to go ashore. Mr. Bhicaji was in a position to, and did in fact offer any reasonable security in gold that might be asked for. But it was of no avail. He was not a European and there was an end of the matter. If this sort of thing were an isolated outrage it would be bad enough. But from the information that has reached us from time to time it seems to be only too typical of a species of humiliation to which Indians, whether travelling, for business or pleasure, are being increasingly subjected by certain fellow-British-subjects in most parts of the Empire. What kind of enthusiasm are Indians expected to have for a "citizenship" whose transcendental merit is being constantly dinned into their ears, but which, in actual every-day practice and experience, appears to be not far removed from a hall-mark of perpetual indignity, insult and humiliation? The true inwardness of these degrading distinctions may be traced back to a root where its political and psychological causations synchronise The British Emigration Officer at Zanzibar is a type. Why does he have a sense of undue exaltation in gratuitously insulting a fellow-subject of the King-Emperor? Because,—and it is time the truth were told,—he can afford to do it with impunity. And he can only afford to do it with impunity because the Indian, according to his present status in the Empire, has been manacled by an ignoble helplessness. It is a significant and notorious fact that Indians are treated with a more pointed and open antagonism in every part of the British Empire, with the possible exception of Great Britain than in other parts of the world, say France or America. That is a well-attested fact, which has behind it the weight of overwhelming evidence. This state of things would be impossible if India were not doomed to the impotency of a "Great Dependency." She may not retaliate economically or politically; she may not help herself in the way of protecting her sons against wrong and high-handedness. That is a curious perversion in practice of the great doctrine and guarantee of *Pax Britannica*. And it can only be mended by putting an end to the present anachronism of a "Great Dependency," whose main function is apparently to depend, in vain, on the powers that be, for justice and fair-dealing. It is time this blot on the British escutcheon were eliminated once for all.

A PRESSING NEED.

The other day the "Madras Mail" published a letter from the pen of Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao, late Dewan of Travancore, Mysore and Baroda,—three of the most progressive Indian States in the country. The article deals with the present situation and the futur of the country, and admirably supplements the united voice of the people of British India expressed on this subject during the National Week. The main object of Mr. Madhava Rao is to present the case for a thorough and radical change in the Government of India which, in its present form, is unsuitable for the country in view of the progress the people have made nationally and politically since 1858, when the present mode of bureaucratic administration was established. The case for India, simple and clear as it is, does not require any new arguments for support. Nor does Mr. Madhava Rao produc any arguments which have not over and over again been used by the leaders of public opinion in British India. The special point and the value of Mr. Madhava Rao's article lie, however, in the fact that it is an indication of the thoughts that are moving the best minds among Indians of high attainments and proved administrative capacity outside British India. He says:

The point I want to make is that, if with an advanced Nation like the British standing in the forefront of civilisation, her Government machinery was found utterly unsuited to modern requirements and had to be changed under the fierce and relentless criticism of the Press, how much more should such criticism be necessary for improving the machinery of the Government of India, where the country is being ruled under a system adopted after the Mutiny, and which has undergone no overhauling since, and especially when the problem to be solved is a change in the character of the Government with a view to making it entirely popular.

He proceeds to make it clear that what India demands is not a reform here and a concession there, but a real change of spirit in the government of the country to be manifested in the transference of the control of all affairs of national life to the people themselves.

What India needs, and is ripe for, is Government of the people by the people and the full recognition of the principle that there should be "no taxation without representation."

The present Government may be efficient and good but, as he says "if India is to become a self-supporting and self-reliant Nation, something more is wanted than these elements of good Government." The first essential for the attainment of a radical reform in the present system is, as Mr. Saklatvala emphasised in the course of the address he delivered the other day before the London Indian Association, "the realization that the British method of sustaining and strengthening a British administration is by constant and persistent exposition of its shortcomings, and by an honest and open opposition to its burdonsomeness." The same consideration,—which cannot be overemphasised,—is insisted upon by Mr. Madhava Rao. "We cannot have," he writes, "too much criticism of the present system of Government in India and any unnecessary restraint on it will be as injurious to the interests of the Empire at large as to the interests of India. Knowing how fully the educated classes understand the situation, England cannot do better than take them into her entire confidence. . . . The heart of India is sound at the core and Congresses and Leagues and leaders, like Mr. Tilak and Mrs. Besant, require, at this crisis in India's fortunes more freedom of speech and publicity for their utterances rather than discouragement or repression."

Notes of the Day.

The Allies' Reply.

No one will be surprised that the Allies' reply to the German Peace Note has been enthusiastically endorsed by every section of public opinion. The document which the French Government have handed to the United States Ambassador in Paris is crushing in its cogency and convincingness. It reaffirms the underlying principle and necessity of the moral stand which the Allies have taken up. Germany has permanetly forfeited her *bona-fides*, and honourable negotiation is no longer possible with those who are up to their eyes in gross and continuous violation of every usage of international relationship and every standard of civilization. If the Germans want peace they must be prepared to give sufficient guarantees. Mere protestations of good-will will no longer avail them. Meanwhile their powers even of duplicity are on the wane, and the day of reckoning cannot be far off.

Peace After War.

In a grave article in the "Berliner Tageblatt," Herr Wolff is very much concerned about the question of compulsory civil labour, but declares himself in its favour, "provided it does not mean a re-arrangement of the present work-people and a still greater profit for the present profit-makers." He hopes that a compulsory renunciation of comfortable habits and pleasures will gradually bring all the nations of Europe to cherish a tremendous affection for peace after the war, for, as he points out, courts of arbitration and international agreements are useless unless the proper atmosphere prevails at home. He proceeds to deal with the prospects of peace and his remarks throw considerable light on the German peace enterprise:

From America and Switzerland comes the news that President Wilson and other neutrals are planning an act of mediation. Before his departure for New York, Ambassador Gerard spoke to his friends about a letter which had just reached him, and which seemed to point to such intentions. From the Chancellor's speech all the world knows that Germany would not reject any proposals of negotiations, and even if these speeches of his unfortunately lend themselves to all kinds of interpretations, at any rate they have done away with the idea of the annexation of Belgium. It is also to be supposed that during the visit of Baron Burian to Berlin not only was the present of Poland discussed but also the future of Europe. All this, however, must not be overestimated, for few facts testify to any inclination of peace on the other side.

Commercial Patriotism.

The Tariff Reform League must be amassing some valuable experience of the temper of the English people in the course of its latest "pass-the-hat" campaign. In reply to its solicitations a well-known firm of engineers at Gloucester has, according to the "Daily News", sent, as a substitute for the expected cheque, a letter giving vigorous and convincing expression of its views on the disaster of protection to the community in general. The letter concludes with an observation that is well worth putting on record textually:

"Referring to the question of enemy goods coming in, we quite understand, and very much sympathise with, the ideas of those who would even refuse to do business with Germans, on the ground of their conduct in Belgium and elsewhere, but we do not understand, and have only contempt for, those who say, 'We are anti-Germans, and object to the way in which the Germans have acted, but we will accept business from them and accept their goods if they pay a 10 per cent. duty.'"

Hunnish Compulsion.

In the debate in mail week on the Patriotic Auxiliary Service Bill in Main Committee of the Reichstag, as reported in the "Frakfurter Zeitung," a very significant speech was made by Dr. Helfferich. After saying that they had all been "astonished" by the "organising power" of England, he added: "Nothing but a measure of compulsion would place Germany on a level with England in the way of the manufacture of ammunition. *The population of the occupied districts would be compelled to help.*" Here we have a definite admission that the Germans mean to make Belgians and Frenchmen "help" make ammunition to be used to kill other Belgians and Frenchmen. The proposal, of course, is an utter negation of international usage, but only the admission of the intention is new: the Germans have actually been doing the thing on a large scale for some time.

Industrial Research.

To a deputation from the Board of Societies, Lord Crewe made a highly important announcement. A separate Department of Scientific and Industrial Research is to be set up, with the object of conducting reserch for the benefit of national industries on a co-operative basis. Nor is it a case of a motor-car without the petrol to run it. The existing State grant of £40,000 a year is to be multiplied by four or possibly five, so that for the next five years the State will be giving as much as a million. All this is being done in England in time of war and there is no doubt that it will be a very wise use of the nation's money. Meanwhile, in India the Industries Commission is still collecting evidence and all action in the way of helping the country's industrial growth is suspended until the publication of its recommendations, the carrying out of which no doubt, as Lord Chelmsford has reminded us, will depend largely on the people themselves. But why should the Government of India not bestir itself after the example of the Home Government and come forward with some prompt and practical scheme to encourage industrial and scientific research in India?

Official and Personal.

The permanent salute of H. H. the Nawab of Malerkotla has been raised from 9 to 11 guns.

Miss Dobson, of the University Settlement, Girgaon, lunched at Government House yesterday.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Willingdon were present at the races yesterday afternoon.

Their Excellencies visited the Cumballa, Marine Lines and Lady Hardinge War Hospitals yesterday evening on the occasion of their New Year's Treat given by the Bombay Women's Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Seddon, Brigadier-General and Mrs. Quinton have left Government House.

The following were guests at dinner at Government House, yesterday:—The Hon. Mr. and Mrs. G. Carmichael, the Hon. Mr. Mrs. and Miss Strangman, Dr. Charles Freeman Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Monie, Mr. J. P. Brander, Lieut.-Colonel Mrs. and Miss Street, Mr. D. G. Harris, Major and Mrs. M. L. Ferrar, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. M. Cousens, Captain and Mrs. A. F. Hamilton, the Very Rev. S. J. Pereira, Mr. A. C. Rumboll, Mr. Frank Harrison, Mrs. Bromilow, Miss M. D. Knapp, Mr. Mohomedbhoy Currimbhoy, Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Powvala. House party:—Mr. H. M. Barton, Captain R. M. Burmester, Their Excellencies and staff.

His Excellency the Viceroy attended the Proclamation Parade at Calcutta yesterday.

INDIAN COMBATANT RANKS.

INCREASED PENSIONS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
DELHI, Jan. 1.

The following press communiqué has been issued:—

The Government of India with the approval of the Secretary of State has sanctioned the new rates of ordinary retiring and special pensions for combatant ranks of the Indian Army. The rates, which have been very considerably increased in practically all cases, will be found in the "Gazette of India," dated 1st January, 1917, and will have retrospective effect from 4th August, 1914.

The principal features of the new scheme are as follows:—

The first ordinary pension for a Sowar or Sepoy is now given after 15 years' service when he will receive Rs. 5 per mensem. After 18 years' service he will get Rs. 6 per mensem. This is Rs. 2 higher than the old pension after 18 years' service.

For Lance Dafadars and Naiks the new pension is Rs. 7 per mensem after 18 years' service, as against the same amount after 21 years under the existing rules.

For Dafadars and Havildars the new pensions are Rs. 9 and Rs. 11 per mensem after 18 and 21 years' service respectively, as against Rs. 7, Rs. 8 and Rs. 9 per mensem after 18, 21 and 24 years' respectively under the existing rules.

For Jamadars the new pensions are Rs. 24 and Rs. 30 per mensem after 20 and 24 years' service respectively, as against Rs. 16 and Rs. 20 per mensem after 20 and 24 years' service respectively, under existing rules.

For Risaldar-Majors, Subadar-Majors, Risaldars, Ressaidars or Subadars, the new pensions are Rs. 40, Rs. 45 and Rs. 55 per mensem, after 21, 24 and 28 years' service respectively, as against Rs. 30, Rs. 35, Rs. 40 and Rs. 50 per mensem, after 21, 24, 28 and 32 years' service respectively, under the existing rules.

The special pensions for Indian officers and non-commissioned officers and the injury pensions for dafadars, havildars, sowars and sepoys of over 18 years' service have also been increased.

INCREASED PAY FOR INDIAN ARMY OFFICERS AND N.C.O.'S.

INCREASED RATION ALLOWANCE FOR COMBATANT RANKS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
DELHI, Jan. 1.

The following communiqué has been issued:—

With the approval of the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India, the Government of India have sanctioned:—

(1) The grant of free rations to all combatant Indian ranks of the Indian Army except when on furlough or leave.

(2) Increase of pay to combatant Indian officers and non-commissioned officers as follows:—

Subedar-Major and Risaldar-Major, Rs. 30; Subadar, Risaldar and Ressaidar, Rs. 20; Jamadar, Rs. 10; Havildar and Duffadar, Rs. 2; Naik and Lance-Duffadar, Re. 1.

These increases of pay will have effect from 1st January, 1917.

Pending the completion of arrangements for the supply of rations, a temporary ration allowance of Rs. 2 per mensem will be granted to all combatant ranks in India not on furlough or leave and not in receipt of free rations from 1st January, 1917, until departmental arrangements can be made to issue rations in kind. This sum will be drawn in addition to the normal compenstion for the dearness of provisions till rations are issued in kind when both the money allowance and the compensation will cease.

Should it be found necessary or advisable at any time or in any particular localities to substitute a money allowance in lieu of rations in kind the Government of India reserve to themselves the right to make such substitution as may be necessary or convenient.

Troops which, in certain localities, were prior to the issue of these orders, in receipt of free rations or a money allowance in lieu will continue to receive rations or money allowance as heretofore until the in roduction of a universal ration or rate of money in lieu thereof.

Troops in Assam which have hitherto been rationed by Government on payment of Rs. 3-8 per man per mensem, will from 1st January, 1917, receive rations free of charge.

LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT IN BARODA.

CONFERENCE OF PANCHAYATS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
NAVSARI, Dec. 31.

The first sessions of the Baroda Rajya Panchayat Parishad was held to-day at Navsari in the Sayaji Theatre, under the presidentship of Rao Bahadur Hargovandas Kantawala. Many delegates from various parts of the State were present, including members of the Baroda Legislativ Council, district boards, municipalities and many other public institutions. The object of the Parishad (conference) is to educate public opinion as to the better enjoyment of the rights granted so generously by H. H. the Gaekwar, by way of local Self-Government and to suggest through proper channels the wants of the people to the Government.

The Chairman of the Reception Committee, Mr. Peshotan Daboo, regretted the lack of interest felt by the people of Baroda in putting forward their demands, though they were demanded by H. H. the Maharaja.

The President in a lengthy and interesting address related in details the growth of he Panchayats. He pointed out the outlines of work.

NAVSARI, Jan. 1.

The Baroda Rajya Panchayat resumed its sittings to-day. At the outset a resolution praying for the speedy victory of the Allies, was passed. Various matters relating to the State were then discussed.

"VICTORY ASSURED IN NEW YEAR."

ALLIES' REPLY WARMLY ENDORSED.

ALLIES' CONFIDENCE IN VICTORY.

KING'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE TO FRANCE.

"VICTORY ASSURED IN NEW YEAR."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Jan. 1.

Recd. 1-30 p.m., Jan. 1.

The King has sent a message to President Poincare on the occasion of the New Year, saying 'I am as confident as ever of a victorious issue of the struggle. I pray that the noble French nation, whose sons have strikingly and freshly proved their will to victory, may, by the triumph of the Allies, re-enter the path of peaceful progress secured against aggression.'

Replying to a message from the King of Italy. President Poincare says victory is assured in the New Year.

A FRENCH COUP DE MAIN.

PRISONERS CAPTURED SOUTH OF CHILLY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Received, 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

A French communiqué says the night was calm. We captured some prisoners by a coup de main South of Chilly.

SOMME AND VERDUN.

78,500 GERMAN PRISONERS TAKEN IN 1916.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Jan. 1.

Recd. 11-0 p.m., Jan. 1.

A communiqué says: There is nothing imporatnt to report. The French at Verdun and on the Somme during 1916 captured 78,500 Germans.

AMMUNITION DUMP BLOWN UP.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Recd. 1-30 p.m., Jan. 1.

A British communiqué says we bombarded the enemy South-East of Le Transloy, blowing up an ammunition dump.

The enemy artillery is active at Martinpuich.

LOSS OF A FRENCH BATTLE-SHIP.

SUBMARINED IN MEDITERRANEAN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, Dec. 31.

Received, 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

A Naval communiqué says the battleship Gaulois was torpedoed by an enemy submarine in the Mediterranean on December 27th and sank in half an hour. Owing to the discipline and coolness of all on board and the rapid arrival of patrol boats, only four of the crew were lost, of whom two were killed by explosion.

The Gaulois was a battleship of 11,082 tons, with a speed of 18 knots. Her armament consisted of four 12-in., ten 5.5in., and eight 3-9in., guns.

WAR ON NEUTRAL SHIPPING.

GERMAN BRUTALITY.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Jan. 1.

Recd. 8-0 p.m., Jan. 1.

The survivors of the crew of the Danish steamer Hroptatyr which was torpedoed by U18 off Ushant on December 22nd, give harrowing details of the disaster.

There was a heavy sea when the crew were ordered to leave the ship. The boats were lowered with difficulty, and one was nipped between the submarine and the steamer and the captain was crushed to death, his head being severed from the body. Another was also killed. The submarine took rest of the crew on board. A French destroyer rushed up whereupon the submarine submerged, escaping a shell by inches. The submarine ultimately arrived at Zeebrugge.

STEAMERS SUNK.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 30.

Received 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

The British steamer Copsewood, the Norwegian steamer Ida and three British sailing ships and one Norwegian have been sunk.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Received. 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

The British steamers Zoroaster, Aislaby and Oronsay, the Swedish steamer Meredio and the Norwegian steamer Nysgrans have been sunk.

JOINT REPLY TO PEACE NOTE.

THE WRITING ON THE WALL.

CHORUS OF APPROVAL.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Jan. 1.

Recd. 8-0 p.m., Jan. 1.

Newspapers voice a chorus of approval regarding the allied Note, which, they say, has finally cleared the air. The reply has created the best impression among all the Allies, especially in France and Italy where it is regarded as the writing on the wall and removes the last doubt that the Allies' are determined to end Germany's treacherous methods.

T'e Rome "Tribuna" hopes that the sending of Notes is now ended, and says that the war cannot be influenced by sentiment. The Germans are still athirst for blood and gold.

AMERICANS STAGGERED.

BERNSTORFF MAINTAINS A BRAVE FACE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Jan. 1.

Recd. 11-0 p.m., Jan. 1.

The Allies' reply has staggered the Americans whom German propagandists had led to believe that the Entente Powers were struggling among themselves to secure peace at any price. The reply will undoubtedly have the healthiest effect on the air in America.

Count Bernstorff maintains brave face and insists that the peace proposals will be successful, but the belief is growing that his optimism is due to the expectation that Germany will quickly climb down and reveal her peace terms.

There is little indication as to how Germany has received the Note but telegrams speak of the growth of feverish anxiety to know the intentions of the Allies.

KING OF BAVARIA ON PEACE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Jan. 1.

Recd. 8-0 p.m., Jan. 1.

A telegram from Amsterdam says the King of Bavaria in an army order says: "If the enemy refuses the proferred hand we will enforce peace upon him."

THE BELGIAN ATROCITIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Recd. 1-30 p.m., Jan. 1.

Alluding to Belgium's trial for two and a half years, the reply says this injustice has been cruelly aggravated by the proceedings of the occupying forces, which have exhausted the resources of the country, ruined the industries, devastated the towns and villages and are responsible for numerous massacres, executions and imprisonments. At this very moment, the reply says, while Germany is proclaiming peace and humanity to the world, she is deporting the Belgian citizens by thousands and reducing them to slavery.

ITALY'S NOTE TO GREECE.

REPARATION DEMANDED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ATHENS, Dec. 31.

Recd. 1-30 p.m., Jan. 1.

The Italian Minister has handed the Greek Government a Note demanding reparation for the events of December 1st and 2nd and making other demands.

TINO'S TREACHERY.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, Jan. 1.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

The Anglo-Hellenic League learns from Salonika that the King Constantine has ordered men who surrendered at Kavala to leave Silesia for the Balkans and fight against the Allies.

ENEMY LOSSES IN NOVEMBER.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, Jan. 1.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

A Rome wireless message says that the losses of the Quadruple Alliance during November were 350,000.

DR. WILLSON'S SECOND NOTE.

TO BE PRESENTED TO BELLIGERENTS.

EXPLANATORY TO THE FIRST.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.

Received, 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

President Wilson has sent a second Note, which has not yet been presented to the belligerents, explanatory of the first.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S PEACE NOTE.

SPAIN DECLINES TO SUPPORT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

MADRID, Dec. 31.

Received, 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

Span has declined to support Dr. Wilson's Note saying it is premature and useless.

GERMAN PEACE TERMS.

WHAT WILSON KNOWS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, Jan. 1.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

The New York "World's" Washington correspondent believes that President Wilson knows in a general way that Germany's peace terms are the *status quo ante* including payment for damage done in Belgium.

GERMANY'S LAST RESOURCE.

RECRUITING IN GOALS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Received 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

Germany has begun recruiting in gaols, excluding only the habitual criminals.

FURTHER CREDIT FOR CANADIAN MUNITIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

OTTAWA, Dec 31.

Recd. 1-30 p.m., Jan. 1.

The Canadian bankers have furnished a further credit of ten millions sterling for the purchase of Canadian munitions for Britain, making a total of fifty millions thus provided.

NORWAY'S LOSS IN SHIPPING IN 1916

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 31.

Recd. 1-30 p.m., Jan. 1.

Norway in 1916 lost 272 ships of nage 367,000 valued at two hundred million kroner.

INCREASE IN BRITISH REVENUE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Received, 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

The Revenue for the quarter ended on December 31st was £129,217,712 compared with £64,390,510 in 1915. It includes £48,443,000 excess profits duty.

LATE MR. FENWICK HARRISON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 30.

Received. 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

The death is announced of Fenwick Harrison.

SITUATION IN ROUMANIA.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Jan. 1.

The Viceroy's war telegram from the Secretary of State, dated the 30th December, says:—

The Russo-Roumanian froces occupying positions on the left bank of the Remnie, have repulsed enemy attacks and the enemy made no further progress towards Braila. The enemy have captured Rachel in the Dobrudja 17 miles east of Braila.

BRITISH VICTORY IN SINAI.

A SURPRISE STROKE.

HOW MAGHDABAH WAS CARRIED.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Recd. 8-0 p.m., Jan. 1.

Reuter's special correspondent in Egypt wires that the victory at Maghdabah, was due to a masterly surprise stroke. The camelry, mounted troops and artillery covered 20 miles of difficult ground in four hours, mostly at a rapid trot across the sands. A portion of the El Arish garrison had fallen back on the strong position at Maghdabah, consisting of several well-situated redoubts.

The action began at day-break and artillery speedily demolished one redoubt. Others were in more difficult positions and resisted longer but the enemy hoisted the white flag at three in the afternoon. Our casualties were comparatively insignificant. The present position menaces the enemy's railway communications, and the remaining enemy garrisons in the Sinai peninsula are therefore rapidly withdrawing.

DEFENCE OF EGYPT.

WESTERN FRONTIER CLEARED OF ENEMY.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 31.

The Pioneer's Cairo correspondent writes:—The news that one of our patrols operating in the Western Desert has entered the oasis of Farafra shows that defence work on western frontier of Egypt has now been consolidated. This is the last of the southern Oasis belonging to Egypt that still remained in enemy hands, and when the large northern oasis of Siwa is reoccuiped every inch of Egyptian territory on this sides of the Nile will once more be in our hands. The patrol which entered Farafra found the inhabitants suffering from a service epidimic of material fever and plague of flies and so did not stay longer than was necessary to carry out a thorough search for armed rebels of whom it took several prisioners and arms and supplies. Arrangements are, I understand, being made to cope with the epidemic

AUSTRIAN VERSION OF OTRANTO BATTLE

MORE GERMANY PIRACY.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE Dec. 31.

The "C. and M. Gazette's" special correspondent cables:—

London December 27.—The Austrian version of the Otranto battle indicates that their vessels returned and did not enter the Mediterranean.

London, December 29.—The "Daily Telegraph" says that Zeebrugge was bombed again on Wednesday.

The "Morning Post's" Stockholm correspondent says that the Finish steamer Skiftet has been mined off Jaersoe. She carried 200 passengers of whom four were saved.

The "Dagens Nyhater" says the Germans have spread mines outside Raumo Finland.

A Swedish steamer has been sunk.

A correspondent at El Arish says that the surprising mobility of the force which rushed on Maghdeba affected the morale of the Turks, who are anxious for their communications and are moving towards Beersheba.

Paris telegrams from Piraeus state that neither artillery nor munitions will be sent to the Peloponnesus until the Allies have formulated their demands.

The "Vorwarorts" says the French people have no idea at all, what good terms France is able to obtain at the present moment. She will never obtain better ones however long the war lasts.

FIGHTING ON MOLDAVIAN FRONT.

DESPERATE STRUGGLE IN OITUZ VALLEY.

OCCUPIED POSITIONS RECOVERED BY ROUMANIANS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Received, 2 a.m., Jan. 1.

Fighting on the Moldavian front is likely to assume increased importance. The German plan is apparently to combine the frontal attack with an outflanking moment. Probably the latter is not yet fully developed but there has been desperate fighting in the region of Oituz valley which, with those immediately adjoining, converges on the Trotus pass in the rear of the advance positions won by the Russians during the past month.

It is also noted that the locality chosen for attack is that where the Russians join the Roumanians, the former holding the Uzul valley and while the latter occupy Oituz and valleys southward.

So far the Germans do not seem to have progressed since Sunday when the Roumanians lost some heights, most of which were recovered on the following day.

CORONATION OF HUNGARIAN KING.

THE CEREMONY DESCRIBED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 31.

Received 2 a.m., Jan. 1.

A telegram from Budapest describing the coronation, said the King and Queen were received at the Cathedral by the Cardinal-Primate and the Clergy and conducted to the Loretto Chapel where the King was robed with a mantle and girdled with the sword of St. Stephen. They proceeded thence to the high altar where they were enthroned amidst the Barons of the Empire.

After the celebration of High Mass Count Tisza crowned the King, who afterwards took the oath in the great square in front of the Cathedral in the presence of the people. He then proceeded to the Coronation mound and waved the sword of St. Stephen to the four quarters of the Empire, symbolising his guardianship of it.

LONDON, Dec. 31.

Received, 8 a.m., Jan. 1.

The coronation of the King and Queen of Hungary was accomplished at Budapest with all ancient pomp and solemnities.

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mous political influence and after the speaker had carefully read the letter, he thought that he should be wanting in his duty as a journalist if he had not given it the fullest publicaion at the present moment. Stringent official pressure was brought to bear upon the leaders of public opinion to prevent discussion and agitation on the question, what was to happen after the war. At the same time what did they find going on from the letter? He had no doubt its contents were true. They found that a gentleman who represented powerful interests in England and the Colonies, was touring in India under official patronage, and he was with official connivance, if not with official assistance, preparing a scheme to subject the people of the country to the yoke of the Dominions. (Cries of "shame"). Mr. Horniman maintained, even if a copy of the letter was surreptitiously obtained, it would be a right and proper thing to publish it to the world, and let the people of the Empire know what was going on. Mr. Curtis in his second letter said it was an argument on behalf of the people to grant Self-Government to India. He asked those who had now seen the letter whether that representation, or any other gloss that might be put on it would be considered to be true. The speaker then dealt with statements in the letter and asked whether in the face of statements like that, in face of the revelation of the movement on foot, any one would be justified in keeping the letter to himself, or giving it the sanctity of a confidential document. Ever since he had taken to public life he had held the view that the British Empire should be extended as far as possible all over the world because he was an advocate of the establishment of the British principles of freedom in all parts of the world, but he would say if ever there was a proposal to reconstruct the Empire on the principles of Germany, he, as a loyal and patriotic Englishman, would see the British Empire crumble into ruins, and his own country under the domination of foreign rule rather than have such a proposal. He could, however, safely say on behalf of the people of England that such a thing was never likely to happen. The people of England had made many mistakes in the past regarding India, but that they would ever be guilty of deliberate wickedness suggested in the letter of Mr. Curtis, he would not believe, until he saw it done.

INDIA AND THE EMPIRE.

REPRESENTATION ON WAR CONFERENCE.

STINGING REPLY TO MR. LIONEL CURTIS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LUCKNOW, Jan. 1.

At the concluding day's session of the Moslem League yesterday, the President in moving from the chair the resolution regarding the representation of India on the forthcoming Imperial Conference, on lines similar to that passed by the National Congress, invited Mr. E. G. Horniman to speak on the subject.

Mr. Horniman, who on rising to speak was enthusiastically received, said the resolution was next in importance to that on Self-Government, because there was no question of more vital importance at the present moment in the country than the assertion before the Empire of equality with other great units of the Empire. The time had gone by when India in these great Imperial Conferences could be asked to take a second place. They were well aware that a few days ago the Prime Minister sent a cable to all Self-Governing Dominions informing them of the measures to be taken for a vigorous prosecution of the war and for wider utilisation of man-power. In that there was not a word about India at the time and the cable to the Viceroy by the Secretary of State was an after-thought. He was sorry to say in all matters about India there was an afer-thought. In that cable the Secretary of State asked the Viceroy to send two representatives, not to be present at the Conference but to assist him to represent India. They first had the Dominions represented by their Prime Ministers, that is, the chosen representatives of their people, but when they came to India they found she was not to be represented by two official representatives of that character, but by the Secretary of State who was to be assisted by two official representatives. He asked those present whether in this Imperial Conference which was going to settle issues of vital character India wanted to be represented by the Secretary of State. (Cries of "no").

INDIA'S JUST ASPIRATIONS.

And supposing India was not to be represented by the Secretary of State, did she want to be represented by two gentlemen coming from the bureaucracy? (Cries of "no"). What was it that was going to be put before the Conference on behalf of India? This was a Conference to discuss the question of greater utilisation of the resources and man-power of the Empire for a vigorous prosecution of the war. They all knew how people in this country when the war broke out, aspired to take their share in the struggle. There was a general feeling then,—he did not think that feeling existed now, he did not see how it could,—to be allowed to volunteer and enlist in regiments and raise Army Corps like the Expeditionary forces. That was still the aspiration of India but what was it that stood between this legitimate aspiration of the people and its being done? They knew perfectly well it was the unseemly hand of the bureaucracy advising the Secretary of State and advising the Imperial Government. They could not, therefore, be blamed for supposing that the Secretary of State would sit in the chamber with the object of preventing India in the face of all Indian blood that was shed on the battle-fields, from realising her just aspirations on self-respecting terms. The Secretary of State in his telegram had referred to the question of sending representatives as a pledge given by Lord Hardinge. In that connection it was very important to emphasise that on that occasion Lord Hardinge laid it down that according to the constitution as defined by the Government at Home it was impossible for India to be represented by elected representatives, but he gave a pledge that India should have some representation. But last year on his (speaker's) motion the National Congress passed a resolution which insisted on India being directly represented by elected representatives. But the point of importance here was that this Conference was absolutely unconnected with the Imperial Conference, and it had nothing to do with the defined constitution. There was, therefore, nothing in the way to prevent India from being directly represented. He had no doubt that if things were represented to the Prime Minister in that light their object would be achieved, and it was therefore important that they should pass this resolution in conjunction with the National Congress and authorise the President to communicate it by wire to the proper authorities.

THE "ROUND TABLE" PLAN.

This resolution was important in another respect also. They were taking this opportunity to assert in the most uncompromising terms the demand of India to be treated as an equal unit of the Empire in the Imperial Conference, and to make it clear that nothing less shall satisfy the united demand of India. The reason why it was necessary was this. Some mention was made of a letter of Mr. Lionel Curtis. He had since seen a further letter written by Mr. Curtis and addressed to various newspapers, in which the latter complained that the letter was confidential and was obtained by journals which published it, surreptitiously, and the speaker wanted to take the opportunity to say publicly that that statement was untrue. The letter was published in the journal of which he had the honour to be the Editor, and he would state publicly that the letter was not surreptitiously obtained by him nor by any one connected with his journal. It was placed in his hands by a gentleman who stated to him how it came in his possession accidently. Having appreciated the mor-

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THE SOUL OF ALSACE.

CAPTIVE AND FREE.

AN ARMY OF CRUSADERS.

Immediately south of Thann and the valley of the Thur the eastern line of the Vosges is continued by the foothills of the Ballon d'Alsace, and from any of these and from one in particular, you get a nearer and more intimate view of the plain of Alsace than from the higher summits to the north, writes the special correspondent of "The Times" with the French Army.

From the slopes and base of Hartmannsweiler kopf, far away on the left, the French and German trenches stretch southwards across the plain, at a distance of about 800 yards, towards Pfetterhausen and the Swiss frontier. Except for those two ugly yellow lines ruled across the plain like lines in the flat page of a notebook, there is hardly a sign or a sound of war. The tall chimneys of Mulhausen on the farther side of them are sending up thick, straight columns of black smoke into the still air. There the Germans are busy—but only on sufferance. It would be a simple matter for the French to place guns in these hills which could destroy those chimneys. But that, for various reasons, they do not choose to do.

Their policy in Alsace is, however, influenced by a much stronger motive than the mere material disinclination to destroy material wealth which they are confident will one day be restored to them. All of them, from the Government and the mill-owning staff-captain to the humblest poilu in the ranks, have the feeling that Alsace and the Alsatians are properly part and parcel of France, and that one of their main duties in the present war is to release them from the oppressive domination of the German. That is also the feeling of the great mass of the Alsatians themselves, at all events in the district west of Mulhausen.

By way of a *ballon d'essai*, I repeated to a French officer particularly well placed for feeling the national pulse a statement which had been made to me that only 20 per cent. of the Alsatians are French at heart. "People who say that," he answered, "know nothing whatever about the present state of feeling in Alsace. There are, of course, in my district—the whole of the reconquered territory—a certain number of Germanophils and even of pure Germans. But by far the greater proportion of the population are with us heart and soul, and hail us as their deliverers from the reign of barbarism."

TESTIMONY OF THE CHILDREN.

Of the truth of that statement I saw everywhere unmistakable signs. When the little *gamins* by the wayside, all wearing *bonnets de police* or Chasseurs' *berets*, cry *Vive la France* their cry is a *cri de coeur*. In one of the schools—the older part, of which has been horribly mutilated by German shells—I visited three separate classes of children, mostly little girls of from four to nine years of age, each presided over by a sweet-faced *religieuse* in black robe and snow-white coif. Some months ago their only language was the Alsatian *patois*. Now they all speak French, and sing French songs, and the older ones are learned in French history (and the story of previous German invasions). They take to it all like ducks to water—after they have been cooped up in a wire-fenced chicken-run.

And it is the same with their elders. Here and there you come across a scowling face, the owner of which obviously abhors the sight of khaki even more than tricolour blue. But these cases are few and far between, and all along the valleys of the Thur and the Doller there is no question about it that the German is detested, and the Frenchman beloved. There is no mistaking the depth and sincerity of this feeling. The people of Alsace are a people who have awakened from a bad dream. They are revelling in the sweets of liberty, and are only looking forward to the day when all their kith and kin will share them with them.

So are the clergy—the old faithful, courteous cures who have pined for this day since 1871, not the young Strassburg-trained priestlings, whose German-fed superiority and conceit they mourn and despise. One of them I met in his church in the Doller Valley, where he had arranged for our entertainment a short recital on what is one of the most wonderful organs in the world. But it was different from any other organ recital that I have ever heard. Except for a blaze of light round the altar and a faint glow high up in the organ-loft above the great west door the church was in complete darkness. And out of the darkness spoke—or so it seemed to me—the soul of Alsace and the soul of France, first in a triumphal processional march, the song of the captives delivered out of captivity; then in the hymn of Gounod's *Ave Maria*—the voice ofa suffering woman, crying to the Virgin Mother for help and comfort; then, on a lower stop, the voice of a man, the crusader-soldier of France still with that note of prayer, and then, most wonderful of all, the singing of wordless songs of faith and triumph by a whole choir of marvellous voices, bass and tenor and alto and treble—so faithful in its imitation of the human voice that you could have sworn that a real flesh and blood choir was concealed somewhere behind the screen of the organ-gallery—and yet more unearthly and spiritual than any singing that ever was.

THE ANTITHESIS OF KULTUR.

It is easy to say that all this is not war, that it is, if you like, fanciful and sentimental. But it is, for all that, the spirit of Alsace and of France; it is the antithesis of Kultur. Behind an underlying all the magnificence and horror and matter-of-fact workaday industry of the war in these parts there is in the whole attitude of serious-minded French soldiers—and nearly all soldiers are necessarily serious-minded to-day—towards the relations between France and Alsace an extraordinary spirit of religious devotion. To a young captain with whom I spoke—he had been decorated for his bravery and the loss of an arm with the *Croix de Guerre* and the Cross of the Legion of Honour, and he was the first and only French soldier-mayor of the reconquered territory—the reoccupation of the whole of Alsace was much less a question of military triumph than of a religious crusade. So it was to a famous African general and his Chief of Staff, with whom I went later in the evening to a sing-song of *Chasseurs Alpins*, all grimy with the wear and tear of the trenches. And so it is they both told me and I believe, with the great mass of the armies on the crests and among the spurs of the Vosges.

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H. E. LADY WILLINGDON, C. I.



The appointment of Lady Willingdon as a Lady of the Order of the Crown of India, has been received with a chorus of appreciation and approval throughtout the Presidency. Very few announcements in recent Honours Lists have evoked anything like the enthusism with which her Excellency's well-earned decoration has been greeted.

PROVOKING THE RUSSIAN MOBILISATION.

STORY OF A BERLIN PLOT.

The discussion in the German press on Viscount Grey's speech has produced a remarkable statement from a member of the Socialist Minority, Kurt Eisner. It seems that Eisner had addressed a letter to the "Chemnitzer Volksstimme," which supports the Socialist Majority, concerning the subject-matter of the speech. The "Volksstimme" refused to publish it at first, but, on Eisner insisting, gave way. The main passage of the letter runs as follows:—

The case of the special edition of the "Lokalanzeiger" has not yet been cleared up. At least it would mean that one has a great contempt for the common sense of the German public to offer it the most stupid folly in the way of an explanation—that this special edition, which had been prepared ahead, to be ready for an emergency, had been published through the fault of an employee! The "Chemnitzer Volksstimme" does not seem to be acquainted with the particular circumstances to which Lord Grey referred. Lord Grey had in mind the report of M. Markoff, who up to the declaration of war was the Berlin representative of the Russian Telegraphic Agency, and who used to work in the offices of the official German telegraphic service—quite near to the "Lokalanzeiger." So M. Markoff got hold of the famous special edition of July 30 immediately. He straightway telephoned the news to the Russian Ambassador in Berlin, who telegraphed it in code to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs at Petrograd, whilst Markoff also reported it to his office in Petrograd. The Ambassador's telegram and that of the correspondent were sent off immediately, without any difficulty at all, from the telegraph office in Berlin. The news was communicated to the Tsar, who then gave the orders for mobilisation.

When, however, half an hour after, the Russian Ambassador and the correspondent attempted to telegraph to Petrograd the German Government's *démenti* the telegraph office raised all sorts of difficulties. These telegrams which gave the lie to the war were not transmitted as swiftly as those which announced it, and they were delayed several hours in Berlin. In this wise the *démenti* arrived in Petrograd too late to stop the Russian mobilisation, which had been decided upon as a reply to the first telegram.

So one can see that this affair of the false special edition is not as easy to explain as the "Chemnitzer Volksstimme" believes. If M. Markoff's story is correct there is only one explanation possible, and this explanation reduces to silence the formula so constantly repeated, according to which Russia mobilised in order to hurl herself upon Germany.

Eisner goes on to remind the "Volksstimme" that it had announced on July 28, two days before the "Lokalanzeiger," that the German mobilisation had been decided upon, and that it would take effect certainly before the end of the week. He himself, Kurt Eisner, telephoned this sensational news to the paper; it demanded confirmation and his source of information, and he replied vaguely that he had it "from the man who, in Munich, must necessarily be advised first of the resolution to mobilise the German army, and who could not have been falsely or uncertainly informed."

KALYAN DANCE CLUB.

(From a Correspondent.)

A dance was held on the new Tennis Court by the members of the Kalyan Dance Club on the 29th and proved a thorough success. Dancing commenced punctually at 9-30 to the strain of the well-known Imperial Band of Bombay, which played all the latest pieces. The flooring was excellent, and there were no sprained ankles. The place was artistically decorated credit being due to Messrs. Catley and Willard, also the Ladies Committee Mrs. Godfrey, Miss Unger, Miss Norris, and Mrs. Norris, and the promoter of the Dance Mr. R. Norris the popular D. T. Inspector who is the Honorary Secretary of the Club. The Master of Ceremonies was Mr. Osie Godfrey. Dancing was kept up till the small hours of the morning, and as the cocks begans to crow the last waltz "Goodbye little girl goodbye" brought it to a close.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN FIELD.

V. C. FOR A LIEUTENANT OF WORCESTERS.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Dec. 31.
Recd. 2 a.m., Jan. 1.

The following decorations are announced for distinguished service in the field:—

K.C.B.—Major-Generals Sir Frederick Clayton, Frederick Maxse, Henry De Lisle, Charles Kavanagh, Walter Congreve, Charles Briggs, Edward Fanshawe, Claud Jacob, Herbert Lawrence and Surgeon-General Hayward Whitehead.

C.B.—Colonels Lionel Herbert and Alain de Lotbiniere, both Indian Army.

K.C.M.G.—Lieut.-General Sir William Pulteney, Major-Generals James Badington, Sir Thomas Snow, Sir Thomas Morland, Surgeon-General Richard Ford and Colonel Maurice Holt.

C.M.G.—Brigadier-Generals FitzJames Edwards, Edwin Atkinson, Laurence Maxwell, Parry Fulton, Colonels William Savage, Charles Somerset, Robert Rainey-Robinson, Lieut.-Colonels David Purdon, Arthur Aldridge, John Shakespear, Henry Cobbe and Majol Sir William Morris, all Indian Army.

Promoted Major-General.—Brigadier-General R. H. Ewart, Indian Army.

There are many other promotions and awards of Distinguished Service Order and Military Cross.

The Gazette announces that the Victoria Cross has been conferred upon Captain William Bloomfield, Scouts Corps, South African Mounted Brigade, and Lieutenant Eugene Bennett, Worcesters.

When the first line wavered owing to the death of its commander and heavy losses, Lieutenant Bennett advanced at the head of the second wave and by personal example, valour and resolution reached the objective with only sixty men. Although isolated he immediately consolidated the position under heavy flanking fire, and though wounded continued to direct and control and set an example of cheerfulness and resolution. There is little doubt that but for his personal courage the attack would have been checked at the outset.

HONOURS FOR WAR SERVICES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Jan. 1.

The following additional honours for war services are gazetted:—

C.S.I.

Mr. G. B. H. Fell, C.S., Military Finance; Brigadier-General W. C. Knight, I.A.; Lieut.-Col. C. Kaye, I.A.

C.I.E.

Capt. D. St. A. Wake, R.N.; Col. H. A. Young, R.A.; Lieut.-Cols. N. Kirby, R.E., and J. H. Dickson, I.A.; Commander W. R. B. Douglas, R.I.M.; Major H. A. Cameroon, R.E.; Lieut.-Col. W. E. R. Dickson, R.E.; Major W. E. Pye, I.A.; Lieut.-Col. S. M. Rice, I.A.; Majors C. B. Stokes, I.A., and E. S. Gillett; Lieut. E. C. Withers, R.I.M.; Major E. Walter, I.A.; Lieut. D. W. Wilson, I.A.R.O.; Messrs. F. S. Crimston, Rifles Factory, V. Bailey, W. Alexander and J. D. Flynn, Railways.

CHRISTMAS AT DEOLALI.

(From a Correspondent.)

The Christmas festivities being almost completed a few words said in respect of the manner with which the lads have enjoyed themselevs should be most welcome.

To say that any were in any way down-hearted would be to speak falsely as apparently one and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Concerts have been given throughout the week by the Officers Peirrot Troupe, the Nursing Staff, the Welsh Glee Party, the R. A. M. C. an dthe Good Templars.

Most of the entertainments have been held in the Patients Recreation Room, except the later which was held in the quiet room of the Y. M. C. A. The Patients Recreation Room is a long building which is called Long Island.

Long Island at Deolali is in no way connected with the Long Island which belongs to the Nation who is most prominent with her peace proposals at the present time.

All, undoubtedly are anxious for an early peace and must in their hearts wish the war to be over long before the next Christmas comes along. Those who spent this Christmas at Deolali will ever have good cause to remember the event. Some, certainly will agree that it is a good idea, and glad that it comes only once a year.

The decorations in the wards were exceedingly pretty as they were equally as tasteful in the Dining Halls, but undoubtedly the wards looked much the prettiest, with their mottoes at either end wishing Medical Officers and the Nurses a most enjoyable Christmas. Without a doubt, the most favoured event was when each patient in the hospital received a copy of the portraits of both Lord and Lady Willingdon.

All the concerts referred to, were crowded each evening, patients unable to walk being assisted so that they should not be prevented from enjoying the fare provided.

Thus it can be said that mostly all the boys enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

The health of his Majesty the King, was drunk enthusiastically and cheers given. One and all were in thoroughly good spirits and really a most enjoyable Christmas was spent.

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either Government or the august assembly of the "Fathers of the Corporation" must quit their cushioned chairs to see with open eyes the various miseries that are being inflicted upon the tenants in Bombay and suburbs. Almost all the people who have to live in Bombay as "tenants," are service men, whose prospects in their respective spheres have all been sacrified since the war began and it is nothing short of Bandra Butchery to see these Chawl Merchants advancing in a Shylock fashion to persecute the poor tenants with a sharp knife of "enhancement in rents" in their hands!

SPASHTAVACTA.

Dadar, 1st January, 1917.

THE RAIDING SEASON IN FRANCE.

WHERE THE BRITISH EXCEL.

A correspondent at British Headquarters, writes:—

This seems to be the "raiding season." During the past few days the Germans, as the communiqués show, have attempted more than one marauding expedition into our lines, and have been paid back in their own coin with the generous interest which we usually give them in this particular kind of warfare. For raids are essentially a matter for individual genius and bearing, and not for machine-like routine; and in "individual" soldiering of all kinds the Briton has always proved a better man than the Boche. Thus in raids, as in flying, and tunnelling, and a dozen other branches of the art of fighting, we get much the better of the exchanges. Thus in latter days the Germans have not gone in for raids without serious necessity.

British raids may be executed for a variety of reasons, and that of merely straffing and annoying the enemy is a sufficient one. But the German hardly goes in for raiding unless he is at a loss. His raids are, for the most part, for the one purpose of identifying the units against him. That he has to make raids to get this knowledge marks a great advance since the beginning of the war in the secrecy maintained as to the movement of our troops.

ANXIOUS FOR BRITISH PRISONERS.

I sent details a day or two ago of an order issued to the German troops saying that it was essential that British prisoners should be captured, and suggesting means by which these captures were to be effected. British patrols, said the order, were not to be shot at, but were to be allowed to coem close to the German lines, and were then to be pounced upon and taken alive so that it might be ascertained to what regiments they belonged. The order ended with the words "Unless prisoners are captured soon more extensive operations against the enemy's positions will have to be undertaken"—a threat, in short, that unless the Germans could capture prisoners near their own trenches they would be sent to the British trenches to look for them. It is clear that the steps suggested were not very successful, and the raids of the past few days have been the promised sequel.

The main art of raiding lies in inventing something new. You have to think out some new device by which to get near to the enemy's line and pounce upon him. In the early days the scope for inventiveness was perhaps greater than now, and in those days daring men, crawling forward like lizards on their stomachs, would creep up to the enemy's wire and cut it silently, thus making a through-path for a raid party. In the small hours of the night, even though the Germans might be firing flare after flare to see what new mischief our men were hatching, our men have succeeded in getting right to the enemy's trenches. There is the historic case, which has been written of before, of men blackening their faces and hands so as not to show white in the glare of the enemy's flare lights. But these ruses have now become insufficient, for both sides are alive to them.

A GERMAN METHOD.

The Germans' favourite method of raiding just now is to concentrate the aim of a number of guns and trench mortars upon one particular length of our barbed wire, and to fire all these guns at once. A breach is thus suddenly made in the wire, and through it they stream in the hope of getting into our trenches before our men are ready for them.

There is a German unimaginativeness about this method, and in practice it proves an expensive way of working. For our men, knowing just what to expect, prepare in good time the antidote, and many a German raiding party that has come to get prisoners and shoulder badges for identification purposes has instead left behind samples of the very things they came to get, and has thereby saved our troops the trouble of a raid on the German lines. It is like advancing a piece to attack another, in chess, only to find that you have put the unfortunate thing where it can be taken. We have bagged in this way several raiders during this week, and have in our own raids brought back fair bags. Two little raids of ours near the north of our lines in France, for instance, gave us twenty-one prisoners, besides entailing the killing and wounding of a greater number of the enemy's men.

TENANTS AND CHAWL OWNERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—It is exactly one complete year since I exposed this question to the notice of the public of Bombay through your columns and the dead silence with which it was responded clearly bespeaks its own tale. The letter of "One Who Knows" appearing in your issue of the 25th December, 1916, identically proves that the grievance has not yet disappeared and that it is aggravating the miseries of the people who have no alternative but to remain in Bombay as tenants groaning under the yoke of arbitracy tyrannies of the Chawl Lords. Well-to-do men are generally less sensitive to the various hardships inflicted upon the middle and lower classes of people and it is also a question whether their ears have retained their natural gift of hearing, or otherwise I am sure they would not have been found so deaf to the groanings of tenants suffering in their vicinity. It needs no reiteration that the war has adversely affected the lives of the above classes of people, and examples are not wanting where a number of families have already been driven to sheer poverty under the merciless strokes of numerous misfortunes, prominent among which is the well-known scarcity of everything that ordinarily keeps body and soul together. While the Government declares rigid observance of "economy," our Chawl merchants are harassing the soaked up pockets of their poor tenants. While our leaders are trumpetting their sympathies for the forlorn and homeless Belgians abroad, and shedding floods of tears over the tombs of the untimely crushed flowers of other nations, they cannot see the parched throats nor hear the moanings of their own brethren at home. Surely some one might come forward to take this ignored question in hand for its proper adjustment. The plague of enhancement in rents is raging by rapid bounds and it is now high time that

(Continued in Column 5.)

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OPERATIONS IN MESOPOTAMIA.

GOOD WORK BY FLYING CORPS.

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 31.

The following telegram dated the 27th December, has been received from "eye-witness" in Mesopotamia:—

The Turks and ourselves now hold positions alternately at different positions on the Tigris right bank for two miles downstream of the mouth of the Shatt-al-Hai. We are in touch with our communications, but the Turks are dependent for supplies and reinforcements on boat transport crossing the river by night. We have trenches on the right bank immediately opposite the south-east extremity of the Kut Peninsula.

The Flying corps have been putting in good work. On the 21st nine machines carried out a bombing raid on Baghailah, a Turkish supply centre, 20 miles up the stream of Kut. All machines returned undamaged after dropping three-quarters of a ton of bombs on shipping and dumps. On the 20th our aviator, Lieut. Merton, engaged a hostile Albatross over Kut, killed the observer wounded the pilot and brought the machine down with a crash to the earth. During the flight he descended to within 2,000 feet of the Turkish trenches at which height his engine was badly holed by rifle fire from the trenches, but he managed to glide home and land safely two hundred yards behind our lines. Lieut. Merton was decorated with the Military Cross by General Maude this morning.

On the morning of the 24th Captain Herring was decorated with the D.S.O., for a daring flight on the night of the 15th. Captain Herring discovered a Turkish gun boat towing a pontoon bridge upstream in sections from Shumran. He bombed her from a very low altitude, caused her to run aground and slip her tow. He returned to the aerodrome for more bombs and again drove her into the bank and scattered the pontoons. He then returned a second time to the camp for bombs and repeated the performance. The three journeys kept him in the air from midnight to 6 a.m.

Yesterday our aeroplanes bombed a hostile infantry column marching towards Benhailah. Throughout the recent fighting aeroplane co-operation has rendered invaluable assistance to the cavalry. The 20th column of cavalry made a stroke against the enemy's river communications ten miles upstream of Kut. No steamers were encountered but Turkish detachment guarding the river were engaged and fourteen prisoners were taken. The prisoners report that the Turks suffered heavily from our bombardment of Sannaiyat, also that their fuel supply is scantly as the area in which it has been gathered is becoming exhausted. On the 24th our cavalry raided a stronghold named Gussabs Fort, situated in country east of the Hai River, some 12 miles outside our lines, which had for long been a jumping off place for marauders. We blew up and burnt the place carrying away sheep, cattle and timber.

Christmas was observed in fine spirit last night in our new position on the Hai. Troops had plum pudding and issue of rum and were singing late into the night. In the Officers' Messes Lord Curzon's health was drunk in his seasonable gift of champagne. The local flora had risen to an imitation and labelled as an imitation of mistletoe and holly. This was used in table decorations and labelled as such. To-day the weather has broken. Rain is falling in a steady downpour.

Plague deaths in India for the week ending 23rd December shewed a grand total of 10,245 distributed as follows:—Bombay Presidency 4,368, Madras 618, Bengal 558, United Provinces 961, Punjab 24, Burma 110, Mysore 343, Hyderabad 1,983, Central India 147, Rajputana 8.

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BENGALEE DOUBLE COMPANY TRANSFERRED TO KARACHI.

(Associated Press.)

LAHORE, Dec. 31.

The Bengalee Double Company, numbering about 240 strong, arrived by ... two trains at Lahore this morning and left for Karachi at about 11 a.m., with a view to being eventually drafted to the front. They were being accompanied up to Karachi by Lieut. Taylor, formerly of the Bengal Police, who is the officer commanding the Double Company, and several Sikh instructors.

Lieut. Taylor in the course of a chat with an Associated Press correspondent, said that the Company's conduct and discipline were excellent, that they quickly grasped the details of drill and parade and that they gave fine promise of becoming excellent soldiers. Sailendra Bose, lately of the Bengal Ambulance Corps and a nephew of the Hon. Mr. Bhupendranath Bose, has been promoted to the rank of jamadar, K. A. Majumdar, Vakil, Cleutta High Court and Anadinath Chatterji, late of the Bengal Ambulance Corps have become havildars, while four others have become Naiks and eight Lance-Naiks. The soldiers who looked very smart and cheerful, spoke in enthusiastic terms of the perfect comradeship that existed between Lieut. Taylor, the Sikh instructors, and the men.

URDU CONFERENCE.

DONATIONS FOR AN URDU ENCYCLOPAEDIA.

(Associated Press.)

LUCKNOW, Dec. 31.

The Urdu Conference, which has been holding its session here for the last three days under the chairmanship of Nawab Prayal of Patna concluded its work to-day. Donations have been promised for preparing an Urdu encyclopaedia.

It was suggested by an Hindu editor of an Hindustani local paper that the Conference, if it desired for the co-operation of the Hindus, should have another platform which had nothing to do with the Mahomedan Educational Conference of which the present conference is a branch. A Committee has been appointed to consider the question.

ANGLO-INDIAN CONFERENCE.

DEMAND FOR COMPULSORY MILITARY TRAINING.

(Associated Press.)

JHANSI, Dec. 30.

The Anglo-Indian Empire League Conference to-day re-elected Mr. J. H. Abbott President of the League for the sixth year in succession.

The Conference passed the following resolutions:—"That in the opinion of this Conference it is desirable that compulsory military service be introduced for Anglo-Indians and domiciled Europeans with as little delay as possible. (This refers to service during the duration of the war).

"That in the opinion of this Conference the present volunteer system is inefficient and inadequate to the military needs of the State and the Anglo-Indian and domiciled European communities and it is desirable that a system of compulsory military training be substituted for it."

"That this Conference recommends to the Railway Board that in all railways in India as far as possible third class accommodation be reserved for European and Anglo-Indian ladeis."

LORD CHELMSFORD IN CALCUTTA.

VISIT TO COLLEGE HOSTELS.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 30.

H. E. the Viceroy accompanied by Lord Carmichael and the Director of Public Instruction paid a visit yesterday to the Ripon College Hostel, the Bangabasi College messes, the Metropolitan College mess and another mess not attached to any college, the visit to the last one being without previous intimation. Their Excellencies were conducted by the authorities of the institution to almost all rooms and talked freely with the boarders.

LAND FOR CINCHONA CULTIVATION

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 30.

Major A. T. Gage, I.M.S., Director, Botanical Survey of India, who has been placed on special duty on the Department of Revenue and Agriculture, will enquire into the possibility of obtaining suitable land for cinchona cultivation. The enquiry is presumably connected with general post-bellum arrangements designed to render the Empire independent of foreign countries for the supply of drugs.

"SWADESHI."

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I was much gratified to see the progress made by the Bombay Swadeshi Co-operative Stores Company, Limited, as stated in their report for the year ending 30th June, 1916. But it was a surprise to me, mixed with feelings of pain, to find that the paper used for the above report was of "British Manufacture," "Punja Chap." These words with the figures of Britanica and a hand were clearly visible in water print. Is this not inconsistent with the noble policy and object of the Stores; viz.: to encourage the manufacture and use of Swadeshi articles? I may point out that the students of even Sydenham College,—a Government institution—are supplied with Swedeshi paper from Poona or Bengal. Even as regards cost, I think Poona paper is far cheaper than the imported ones. Has the mananement any explanation to offer for this inconsistency?—Yours etc.,

J. P.

CASUALTY LIST.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 22.

The following casualties are announced:—

KILLED.

Lieut H J Boyton, Grenadiers.

DIED.

Lieut D P W Carter, Engineers.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut E R Bertrum, Engineers.
Second-Lieut H A Bowker, West Yorks.
Lieut H C..., Engineers.
Second-Lieut S ... McL Colvin, Middlesex.
Second-Lieut P B Colthurst, Engineers.
Second-Lieut H G Dewey, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut A P Hill, Manchesters.
Second-Lieut E F Jones, Essex Regiment.
Second-Lieut H H Morris, Gloucesters.
Lieut H Roberts, West Yorks.
Second-Lieut C W Young, Rifle Corps.

Second-Lieut ... PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW WOUNDED AND MISSING.
... Glover, East Yorks.

Second-Lieut ... BELIEVED PRISONER.
MISSING ... Blake, Wiltshires.

Second-Lieut C H ... NG.
MISS... ine, Cameronians.

Second-Lieut A C Ran... NDON, Dec. 23.
The following casualties a... announced:—

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Second-Lieut Ashburner, Liverp... orps.
Second-Lieut L J Coyle, Rifle C... n.
Reverend W H Freestone, Chaplai... NG,
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BELIEVED KILLED, NOW KILLED
Second-Lieut A M Herapath, York ... Lancs.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW KILLED.
Second-Lieut A C Cushen, Sussex.
Second-Lieut D Forryan, Shropshires.
Captain C J Hart, Worcesters.
Captain G E A Rawlins, Royal Fusiliers.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Lieut E Howe, Medicals.
Second-Lieut M H W Nolan, Irish Regiment.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.
Second-Lieut J M Hill, Northumberlands.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.
Lieut J P Burlton, Norfolks.

DIED.

Second-Lieut E A T Line, Service Corps.
Lieut-Colonel G F Pridham, Welsh Regiment.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut E R M Brown, Machine Gun Corps

KILLED.

Lieut A H Cheetham, Wellingtons.
Second-Lieut H B Marr, Londons.
Second-Lieut J C Simpson, Engineers.
Second-Lieut E H Treacy, North Lancs.
Second-Lieut G F Walker, York and Lancs.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, MISSING NOW KILLED.
Second-Lieut W H Ratcliffe, South Staffords.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED, NOW KILLED.
Second-Lieut F W Lupton, Royal Fusiliers.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.
Captain J C Ludlow, Inniskillings.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut P J Bretherton, Gloucesters.
Second-Lieut A Dickinson, Yorkshires.
Captain F J Downey, Northumberlands.
Second-Lieut R E Gibbs, Wiltshires.
Second-Lieut H Gray, Gordons.
Lieut J P Greenwood, Service Corps.
Captain A Innes, Field Artillery.
Captain J H Lake, Welsh Regiment.
Captain N E Lee, Yorkshires.
Second-Lieut D D A Mackay, Engineers.
Captain G D Mellis, Field Artillery.
Captain W D Reid, Medicals.
Second-Lieut D W Rusack, Yeomanry.
Captain R A Slater, Irish Regiment.
Captain G N N Smith, Yorkshires.
Second-Lieut J B Smith, York and Lancs.
Second-Lieut J S Thomson, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut W E West, Yeomanry.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW PRISONER.
Second-Lieut N F Harley, Manchesters.

OFFICIAL CORRECTION.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.
Second-Lieut E K Head, York and Lancs, should read Lieut E K Head, York and Lancs.

LONDON, Dec. 25.

KILLED.

Second-Lieut F Illingworth, East Yorks.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut T Thomson, Argylls.
Major P A Wardlaw, Somersets.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED KILLED, NOW REPORTED PRISONER.
Second-Lieut J A V Wood, Berkshires.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED PRISONERS.
Lieut M R Davidson, Lancasters.
Lieut A Skene, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut H N Spence, Border Regiment.
Lieut J Stewart, Highland Light Infantry.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 25.

The following casualties are announced:—

KILLED.

Second-Lieut R G C Busby, Durhams.
Captain D S Phorson, Durhams.
Second-Lieut E J Yelland, Wellingtons.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED, NOW REPORTED KILLED.
Second-Lieut G J Mitchell, Devons.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut M H Guille, Highland Light Infantry.
Lieut R A Johnston, Royal Scots.
Second-Lieut J Langridge, Sussex.
Second-Lieut G H Lean, Durhams.
Second-Lieut W G A Perkins, Artillery.
Second-Lieut E Robinow, Lancs Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut W A F Snell, Scots Guards.
Second-Lieut F J Gibson, Royal Fusiliers.
Captain E H Poyntz, Shropshires.
Captain H. E. Wheeler, Hampshires.

CORRECTION.

In yesterday's list Second-Lieut T Thomson, Argylls, and Major P A Wardlaw, Somersets, should be "wounded," not "died of wounds."

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 30.

Lieut. G. R. Murray, I.C.S., formerly Registrar of the Allahabad High, Court, whose name appeared in the latest casualty list of the Indian Expeditionary Forces, has succumbed to his wounds which he received on the 20th December. The deceased was best known to the Indian public as the Secretary of the U. P. Exhibition.





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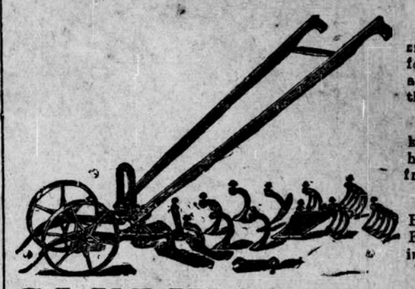
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